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TOWN HISTORIES are, as everyone knows, valuable and important segments of American history. But histories like this one of *Buckland, Massachusetts*, are not only valuable, but necessary, since the original and early records were destroyed by fire in July 1876. Thus this book presents unique and significant material accessible nowhere else. No small part of the value of the book is contained in the genealogies of *Buckland* families compiled by Mrs. Kellogg. Many distinguished and eminent names stem from this town.

This history is the work of a town committee appointed soon after the Sesqui-centennial of *Buckland* in 1929. On account of the dearth of records and vital statistics, a tremendous amount of exacting and careful research was necessary. It can now be said that Mrs. Kendrick's work as far as possible replaces the valuable records unfortunately lost, while Mrs. Kellogg's painstaking research has brought the genealogy of *Buckland* families into order for convenient consultation and reference.

Although the town of *Buckland* did not become a separate incorporated township until 1779, its existence as a dwelling place of pioneers long before that date gives it added importance in Massachusetts history. The towns of Charlemont, granted in 1735, and of Ashfield, granted in 1736, originally encompassed what is now *Buckland*. On the Deerfield River and in the vicinity of Deerfield, a spot rich in colonial history, *Buckland* records reveal a wealth of material.

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## THE VILLAGE

*There! From this hill look down.  
That's the village.*

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*There it lies  
Dozing peacefully, peacefully under the maples.  
A church, a school, a tavern, some stores  
And a matter of fifty houses.*

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*The east mountain is hazy and seems far away.  
It stretches as far as you can see, north and south.  
The winding river with brush-lined banks  
Shows silver patches here and there.  
A sleepy village in a peaceful valley:  
Yet, friend, there life stages its drama.  
Tragedy, comedy, nobility beside self-seeking:  
Petty crimes against the spirit;  
The wise serenity of old age  
And the rebellious passions of youth.  
There the whole of life unfolds  
From childhood's carefree days  
To that hillside with the white stones—  
Fifty houses offering the life of the race.  
Calm twilight settles on the valley;  
The birds are singing their evening song.  
Come! it's time to go down.*

(From *The Salt of Vermont*  
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WALTER HARD)



## PREFACE

A TOWN HISTORY has become the accepted thing, almost a necessity, and especially is its value manifest when, as in Buckland, the earlier records have been destroyed. Therefore it is with pleasure and satisfaction that this volume is presented to the townspeople and the public at large.

The Sesqui-centennial celebration is responsible for its inception. After that event it was realized how much, not hitherto known, had been brought to light and so, at the next annual town meeting an appropriation was made and a committee appointed—Messrs. Hezekiah E. Ward, Walter S. Stanford and Mrs. Anna M. Page—to attend to the publication of the proceedings of the day in the form of the town's annals.

In the consideration of the best method of procedure, it was brought out that there was still much to be secured concerning the town and its people, which, if it was ever to be preserved, should be included in the proposed publication. The search for records to be used in the Vital Statistics of the town had uncovered many hitherto unsuspected sources of information which promised much, and made it most apparent to the committee that when a history was published, it should contain all that the most exacting research could glean. Also it was deemed wise to include a comprehensive genealogy of the inhabitants, for local and family life are closely interwoven.

The scope of the work as finally planned, was to make it as reliable and full a source of information as possible and at the same time cause it to replace so far as might be, the valuable town records destroyed by fire in July 1876. To accomplish all this has taken time, for the research has extended far beyond the confines of the town and has resulted in a large correspondence as well as many personal trips away, and calls on many people.

The results of all this labor are now made public. That it could not have been as complete without hearty co-operation is freely acknowledged, and the writers gratefully tender thanks to each and every one who has so graciously given of time, family and old records and personal recollections to aid in the undertaking. In no instance was a refusal encountered. The support of the committee has been most helpful and to them thanks are extended.

Especial recognition of the interest manifested by F. Dean Avery of Greenfield is due. A native of Buckland, he has retained this to a marked degree and has earned the gratitude of all by most painstakingly preparing a map showing the location of the original grants. All this has greatly enhanced the value of the undertaking and the attractiveness of this volume.

*From out the past this book reclaims  
What record it may give.  
And these else forgotten names  
Upon its pages live.*

*F.S.K.  
L.C.K.*

*January 1937*





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## HISTORY OF BUCKLAND

### CHAPTER

# I

### IN THE BEGINNING

*Towering pines, glistening hemlocks, rocky crags, and Nature over all.*

THE story of the original ownership of the tract of land now within the territorial limits of Buckland is both interesting and unique. It probably illustrates as fully as any place in Massachusetts, the old custom of the State's payment of its debts of a certain type, and its efforts to promote settlement in undeveloped territory. The large families of those early days furnished young men who were good material for pioneers. Hence it came about that the government gave tracts of land known as "Grants," of a few hundred acres to individuals, or of six or seven square miles, or 8000 acres to groups who would engage to comply with specified terms of ownership and settlement. "To soldiers of the Colonial Wars who had been wounded or captured, and to the heirs of those killed in the Wars; to those who had done or suffered anything unusual in any department of public service, recompense was made by drafts on the unfailing Land Bank," writes Sheldon.

Buckland seemed to come under a general classification, for her original territory was a part of the towns of Charlemont and Ashfield, and of grants known as Benjamin and Jonas Clark's, Cobbitt's, Dana, White and Wilder's, Field, the School grant, Green and Pierce's, Smith, Sprague, Uxbridge, Ward, Jasher Wyman and the Ross and Hezekiah Wyman Grants. The fact that the men who settled on these grants had no es-



tablished name for their residence other than on such and such a grant led to the name of "No Town" being used and this appellation appears on the old Provincial records and is found frequently in the older deeds.

In the Cobbitt grant of 1765, and some later deeds, reference is made to "Othniel Taylor's Country Grant," but persistent research has failed definitely to locate this.

In 1736 the present town of Ashfield was granted to the heirs and descendants of those men—largely from Braintree—who served in an expedition against Canada. The original bounds of this grant took in all the territory up to within about one and one half miles south of Shelburne Falls, the Deerfield River being named as a town line. Later surveys materially changed the lines and in 1794 the Buckland-Ashfield line was run substantially as at present. In old deeds and subsequent grants frequent reference is made to this "Old Ashfield Line."

At the time of the incorporation of Ashfield, June 21, 1765, the north bound was described as being "Province Lands." Study of these old lines indicate that in some cases they overlapped, or that the exact boundaries were ill defined, thus leading to confusion in the establishment of property bounds. The grants were made by the General Court from supposedly unappropriated lands, and the one thing to be marvelled at was that the surveyor and chainmen, going into those areas which were often a dense wilderness, should have been as accurate as they were.

In making these grants the General Court obligated the grantees to have the property—of a designated number of acres—laid out by a surveyor and chainman, under oath, a plan made and the whole be returned within a specified time. Sometimes a financial obligation entered into the contracts, in which case the amount was mentioned and the phrase "with the usual interest" added. The state lines themselves were much mooted questions and when the northern boundary of Massachusetts was finally established, it was found that some of the grants made by the Massachusetts General Court were on New Hampshire territory. All these misplaced land grants and bounds constituted to the hardy settlers real grievancies and they were quick to enter their protests and ask for compensation.

When Charlemont was laid out as noted in detail later on,

much of Buckland territory was included within her borders and so remained until 1779. Charlemont was one of those townships granted on June 27, 1735, to the town of Boston, and in conformity with the usual custom, was to be six miles square. Similar conditions of settlement were imposed in all cases and there were the usual details as to the number of settlers required, the amount of land to be included in the household lots, the lots to be devoted to public use,—that is, for the use of schools, support of the ministry and one for the first minister,—the establishment of a church and settlement of a pastor usually described as a "Learned Orthodox Minister," the size of the houses to be built and the amount of land to be cleared and fenced. It took a truly heroic spirit on the part of both men and women to face the conditions of these unbroken wildernesses.

Apparently the General Court decided by 1772, that the time had come for Massachusetts to know her real ownership of lands so far as this section was concerned, for in the session of 1771-72, it was reported that at the preceding sitting of the Court, Captain Thomas Denney, John Whitcomb, Esq., and Captain Benjamin White had been ordered to "repair to the Western part of this Province and view and appraise all the lands in the Counties of Hampshire and Berkshire which had not been disposed of." For this service the above mentioned committee received forty-four pounds, ten shillings, two pence. At the Court sessions of 1773-74, a resolve was passed empowering the committee on sale of the Province Lands to execute a deed to William Denne as the highest bidder, and he appears to have bought much of the unappropriated land of northwestern Massachusetts.

An account of these various grants, so far as they are known, follows in pretty nearly chronological order.

#### TAYLOR LANDS

Othniel Taylor had acquired by purchase in 1742, one thousand acres of land south of the Deerfield River, but so far as known this had no connection with the so-called "Country Grant."

#### FIELD GRANT

The Zechariah Field grant which later became known as the Wilder grant, was the culmination of several land deals. In

1720, Field bought at Paquayag, now Athol, of the Indian Pompanoot, son of Wawelet, thirty thousand acres of land, paying therefor the sum of twelve pounds. For some reason this purchase was never confirmed. Not long after the General Court of Massachusetts Colony conveyed this land to others for a township. Field, feeling that his claim should not be ignored, finally settled the matter by receiving a tract of eight thousand acres. It soon developed that this land lay largely within the bounds of New Salem, and that the General Court included some portion of it in grants to other parties.

Years went by and we may assume that Field was not inclined to consider the matter closed, for eventually—December 22, 1742,—he was allotted four hundred acres, which was considered by the authorities as an equivalent, in the unappropriated lands of No Town. The Field genealogy indicates that he received no equivalent for his original expenditure of twelve pounds, nor for his services, beside all the annoyance of following up the officials.

#### THE JESSE WYMAN GRANT

Jasher or Jesse Wyman was in 1719, admitted as a proprietor in a new township lying west of Groton. He had "fully performed the conditions of the grant by building and clearing land," but had been ejected by a "Course of Law." The government had regarded this as unappropriated land, but it proved to be within a former grant made to the proprietors of Dunstable, who insisted upon their right of prior ownership. Therefore in 1754, Jasher Wyman received a grant of five hundred acres in No Town. The land was plotted in 1766-7, but before that time, Wyman died. On June 6, 1766, the grant was confirmed to his heirs.

#### COBBITT'S GRANT

On June 24, 1765, there was a grant of fifteen hundred acres of land made to the heirs and assigns of "Rev. Mr Thomas Cobbitt," late of Ipswich. The latter had suffered loss of land in Methuen by the relocation of the Pioneer lines. By reason of some informality his Excellency the Governor failed to sign the resolve of confirmation. Therefore on March 12, 1766, the General Court confirmed a grant of two parcels of land adjacent to



each other, containing altogether fifteen hundred and one acres and seventy perches. The heirs receiving this were grandchildren, Nathaniel and Anne Cobbitt.

#### THE WARD, CLARK AND STORER GRANTS

These grants were the result of losses sustained by these men and their predecessors, when land lying in the north part of a new township formerly called Boston Township No. 1, now Charlemont, was claimed by Colrain. They therefore prayed for an equivalent and had granted to them on February 16, 1766-7, in proportion to their several losses, three thousand acres in the unappropriated lands adjoining the said town of Charlemont "in full satisfaction for any deficiency of the contents of the original grant."

The return made May 26, 1767, apportioned twelve hundred acres for the heirs of Jonas Clark, Benjamin Clark and Ebenezer Storer.

Twelve hundred acres to Mr Hezekiah Ward and Jonathan Ward.

Three hundred acres to Doct<sup>r</sup> Thomas Greene and Samuel Pierce.

Three hundred acres to Caleb Dana, Richard Dana, Jonathan White, and Joseph Wilder.

The whole was bounded on the north by Charlemont south line, on west by land sold by the Province to Captain Pason (Parsons) now Hawley; south by Province Land and east partly by Province Land and partly by land of Othniel Taylor. This grant was confirmed on June 8, 1767.

#### THE SMITH GRANT

Chileab Smith had settled early in Ashfield, then known as Huntstown, had made many improvements on his land and he and his sons had laid out in money about eighty pounds. Later it was found that his lands, instead of being in Ashfield, were within the bounds of the unappropriated land, so he petitioned for them to be granted to him which was done and the grant confirmed June 16, 1768. Thus he retained the fruits of his toil, and his lands became incorporated within the south east part of No Town.

### THE UXBRIDGE GRANT

Ezekiel Wood, representing the town of Uxbridge, presented a petition to the General Court, showing that in May 1737 that town received a grant of five hundred acres of unappropriated land which, on running the Province line between Massachusetts and New Hampshire, fell within the latter state. He therefore prayed for seven hundred and fifty acres as a recompense for the town of Uxbridge. In satisfaction of a grant made April 11, 1770, two pieces of land were laid out, the one containing five hundred and nine acres and thirty-two perches, falling within No Town limits and being bounded east by Cobbitt's grant. The other piece lay on the Province line north of Colrain. The resolve confirming this, was passed November 7, 1770, and this land has since been known as the "Uxbridge Grant."

### THE SPRAGUE GRANT

The next grant appears to have been that of Jonathan Sprague which contained three hundred acres. The General Court received a petition from Sprague setting forth the fact that some years before he bought a right of land in Ashfield, one hundred acres of which was laid out as a home lot and he was living thereon. By the settlement of the Ashfield north line he had discovered that the one hundred acres on which he had built his house and made considerable improvement was Province Land. His two sons had also made improvements on Province Land adjacent to his own one hundred acre lot, and all were desirous of settling permanently on those sections. Therefore he prayed for a grant for himself and two sons, of the three hundred acres, which should include his said one hundred acre home lot. This grant was confirmed on June 18, 1772 and called for the payment of the sum of forty-five pounds.

### THE HOLDEN GRANT

John Holden had lost his grant in Tyngsboro, by the running of the Massachusetts north line. Therefore his children and heirs, Caleb, Amos, Isaiah, Nehemiah and David Holden and their sisters, Sarah Hartwell, Rachel Gould and Hannah Blood, re-



ceived a grant of four hundred acres in two lots. This resolve was passed June 23, 1773.

#### THE ROSS AND HEZEKIAH WYMAN GRANT

Seth Wyman was an ensign under Captain John Lovewell in an engagement with the indians at Pigwackett in 1725. Later the General Court granted to the officers and soldiers of that fight, land at Suncook, "As a gratuity for their extraordinary services." After the grantees had performed all the duties enjoined by the terms of the grant, this land fell into New Hampshire. Not being inclined to live within the bounds of that state, the sons of Seth Wyman, Ross of Shrewsbury and Hezekiah of Woburn, received a grant of five hundred acres in the unappropriated Province Lands, which was located in the south west corner of No Town. This resolve was passed June 25, 1773.

#### THE WASHBURN GRANT

Joseph Washburn of New Braintree, seems to have voluntarily chosen No Town as his future home for he petitioned for a tract of land lying north of and adjacent to Ashfield, and that it might be granted to him "for such a sum of money as shall be judged meet." By a resolve passed June 26, 1774, he received four hundred and thirty acres and two hundred roods, he to give securities to the Province treasurer of three shillings an acre. The purchase price was sixty-four pounds, eleven shillings with lawful interest.

#### THE SCHOOL GRANT

In 1791 Samuel Taylor petitioned for a grant in Buckland for the benefit of the public schools. This was favorably considered and a resolve passed February 21, 1792, confirming a grant beginning on the Ashfield line in the south west corner of Buckland and running east, containing three hundred and seventy-two acres. The condition imposed was that the land or the principle of the money for which it should be sold, should be kept unimpaired and appropriated to the use of supporting the public schools in town forever.

Several persons had settled and made improvements on this land, hence it was resolved that all such be confirmed in their

possessions on making good security to the treasurer of Buckland, or paying such a sum in specie as the selectmen of Ashfield shall adjudge the same to have been worth in the wild and uncultivated state at the several periods of time when the said possessors took possession thereof.

#### GENERAL COURT RESOLVE

That the General Court acknowledged the confusion of lines in these grants is evidenced by their action on February 16, 1795, when a resolve was passed that the lines should be run in such a direction as would do justice to several persons who had purchased of the Proprietors of the land called "Ward's Grant," and those who purchased in the western part of "Cobbitt's Grant." In the course of this action admission was made that there were "about 16 acres more in Cobbitt's than its original content."

The sum total of all these holdings with the annexation of a small section of Conway in 1838, equals practically the territorial content of the Buckland of today. The appropriate name of No Town was retained until 1779, when the advantages of incorporation became more and more evident, and preliminary steps were inaugurated to that end. The result was, in 1779, a town of about sixteen thousand acres, located in the north-west part of Massachusetts, within those limits of the old Hampshire County—now Franklin,—distant from Boston one hundred and twenty miles, and fourteen from Greenfield, the shire town of Franklin County.

#### BOUNDARIES AND GEOLOGY

The historic Deerfield River formed its northern boundary and taking a sharp turn in effect a right angle, separated the new town from older Shelburne. On the east, south of Shelburne lay Conway; on the south, Ashfield, and west, Plantation No. 7 or Pason's Town, now Hawley.

The surface is very uneven and broken, being made up of rolling hills and valleys, and large areas of dense timber. The geological structure as determined by later surveys, is calciferous mica, schist and calcareous gneiss.

### ORIGIN OF NAME

Buckland received its name from local fitness. Before the advent of the settlers, the indians found excellent fishing and hunting along the banks of Clesson's River. Here also Samuel, son of Othniel Taylor, found a favorite resort of deer to be on his broad acres near where the Buckland station now stands. There on the banks of the Deerfield River, he built a Deer-Park. On the plain to the west, this was surrounded by a high board fence. At the top of the very steep bank, this fence was only two feet high and the deer could easily jump it, but could not get back. In the morning Squire Taylor would go in and shoot the bucks, open the gates and let out the does, who would flee to the woods, only to return with more of their lordly companions. One morning he entered the park and standing in his tracks, shot five bucks. This incident is responsible for naming the town Buckland. Mrs. Electa Stratton of Shelburne Falls, now in her one hundred and first year, lived on the site of this old Deer-Park at one time, and she distinctly recalls seeing there the remains of this old fence.

### RIVERS AND BROOKS

The Deerfield River is noted for its beautiful scenery, forms the northern and a part of the eastern boundary of Buckland, and is one of the most picturesque of our New England rivers. By the indians it was called the "Pocumtuck," meaning "sweet rolling river." Having its source in southern Vermont, for its entire length it flows between high, rocky and heavily wooded hills, which in places rise abruptly from its bed. For the greater part of the year it is peaceful and quiet. Like Wordsworth's River it seems to glide on "at its own sweet will." But in the spring when the snow is melting on the mountains it no longer babbles musically in a tranquil current, but swollen, fierce and turbulent, it thunders along its channel, uprooting trees on its banks and destroying whatever opposes its course. At such times its appearance is truly awe inspiring. On the Buckland north boundary, it is about five hundred feet above sea level.

### SALMON FALLS

Shelburne Falls was originally called Salmon Falls, because the salmon and shad came up the river in the spring of the year



to spawn. Before the French and Indian Wars, the white men came from Deerfield and the indians from miles around to catch the salmon, the whites using nets and the indians spears with which to take the fish as they jumped the falls. Tradition tells us that when so engaged, the indians used to camp on the flats along the west side of the river, north of the village. This is doubtless true for many indian arrow heads have been found on land owned by the late Lucius Fyfe and an especially fine specimen was sent to a museum in New York City.

The existence and value of these falls was early made known to the colonial government. The proprietors of Huntstown found that their grant infringed upon Deerfield territory, hence they received an additional grant of 8000 acres as equivalent lands. Appended to that grant, passed March 2, 1743, is this:

"And further that the Salmon fishing falls on Deerfield River So-Called, be reserved to the use of the publick with Twenty Acres of Land Around them for Conveniency of Fishing Provided The Prop<sup>rs</sup> by a Surveyor and Chainman under Oath do return a plan of the s<sup>d</sup> Eight Thousand Acres to the Court within twelve months for Confirmation." Presumably it may have been thought that the old Ashfield north line would include the falls within the 8000 acre additional grant, or they would not have received this especial mention.

#### CLESSON'S RIVER

While the Deerfield forms the northern and a part of the eastern boundary, Clesson's River flows through the center of the town. This tributary of the Deerfield rises in Hawley and takes its name from a former mill owner who lived near its source. It is a stream whose banks were dotted with small mills in the early history of the town. It furnished abundant water power to the pioneers to grind their corn and turn their lathes. Its principle tributaries are the Taylor and Shepard brooks from the west and Clark's brook from east Buckland. First, Second and Third brooks are smaller streams in the north and northwestern part of Buckland flowing north and emptying into the Deerfield.



## NATURAL FEATURES

While there are no great elevations in Buckland, the natural features are varied and pleasing, the surface rock-ribbed and rugged.

## HOG MOUNTAIN

Hog Mountain, in the west part of the town, has a height of 1680 feet and is very attractive when driving over the road toward Hawley. A bit of early history has to do with its naming. To this mountain, which was on land known as Colonel Jonathan Ward's grant, the Allens and others from Deerfield and vicinity used to drive their hogs every spring, leaving them as they termed it "to shuck," there being a great many beechnuts growing there-a-bouts. In the fall, when the owners came after them, there was found a great increase in numbers as well as in quality.

## MOONSHINE HILL

Next in height is Moonshine Hill, southeast of the center. This has an elevation of 1440 feet, but of its naming nothing definitely is known. Moonshine was an old local name for the little flower known as "Life Everlasting" growing so abundantly in many pastures and on hillsides. The name probably came from this plant. In a few old deeds the name of "Sugar Hill" appears and the description of the lands seem to fit those near Moonshine Hill.

## PUTNAM'S HILL

Putnam's, better known as "Put's Hill," just east of the center, has an elevation of 1220 feet. To the top of this, at a very early period, came Lieutenant William Putnam and his family, and built the first log house in this section of the town. Just over the summit to the east is the place of Mary Lyon's birth. The view of Buckland center from the brow of this hill is most pleasing. Now all trace of these old homes as well as of others in that locality, is found in the cellar holes alone.

## KOOON CHAUG

West of Buckland center is an elevation of some fourteen hundred feet, known as Koon Chaug. The name is of indian

origin, Koon meaning snow, and Chaug, hill. This is well named, for we find that on May 12, 1879, there was a snow bank here which measured twelve rods long and was from ten to twelve feet deep. In the 1870's, it was customary to hold an annual "sugar eat" near this drift. An item in the Greenfield Gazette and Courier of June 4, 1877, tells of the sugar eat held there May 26, of that year, and that music was furnished by the Ashfield Band and string music for dancing by Wynn's orchestra of Shelburne Falls. For the dancing a good floor was laid and a small fee charged. All else was free.

### WALNUT HILL

This elevation of some 1100 or 1200 feet is in the north west part of the town and has always been known for the great abundance of walnut trees with which it is covered.

### SIGNIFICANT NAMES

Significant names often mark the different localities in a township, which are a convenience to its citizens and sometimes an amusement to strangers. Of these Buckland seems to have her share. Buckland Upper City was so called for its early prosperity.

Hog Hollow in the eastern section gained its name in the early history of the place as follows:

Before the days of "buggys" or automobiles, one of the parsons from Buckland center was making a trip on horseback to pay a parish call. Out near the Goodenough farm a hog ran out of the bushes (the hogs ran at large at that time), frightened the horse and very nearly threw the rider. Upon reaching home and relating the incident, the minister spoke of the place where the near accident occurred as "Hog Hollow" and Hog Hollow it remains to the present.

Clock Hollow was so named because of William Sherwin living in that locality and making clocks.

Gruntville is a section of the lower street in Buckland and derived its name from a peculiar habit of an old resident, of grunting whenever he spoke.

Apple Valley is a locality in the west part of the town where the finest fruit farms are situated.

In the northern part is the section still known as the Mill Yard and where the first saw mill was in operation as early as 1769. For many years saw mills were run at this point on Cleson's River. It formerly had the name also of "Pine Mills," that area being densely covered with pine trees.

To these conditions and surroundings did the sturdy men and women of early No Town come. They must have been imbued with the feeling that "Here is our Country, here our home."



## CHAPTER

# 2

### BACKGROUND AND INCORPORATION

*The people gave of their toil;  
The mountains of their strength and inspiration,  
And lo! a town arose.*

### INDIAN DEEDS

IN 1662, just forty-two years after the landing of the Pilgrims on Plymouth Rock, the territory of this town, together with that of others in the present Franklin, Hampshire, Berkshire and Hampden Counties, was incorporated as one county by the name of Hampshire. At that time the section was inhabited only by wild beasts and Indians. Then followed King Philip's War with its record of mutilation and massacre and burning of the pioneer settlements. At its close the Pocumtuck Indians, who inhabited this local area, fled to the Hudson River and became absorbed by the Scauhtecook tribe living some twenty miles north of Albany.

When approached by a committee from the General Court of Massachusetts, the descendants of these Pocumtucks gave a deed which conveyed to the English that territory now included in the towns of Charlemont, Buckland, Hawley, Heath, Rowe, Munroe, and parts of Colrain and Shelburne. The tract sold is described as follows:

A certain tract of land lying within the Province, west of Deerfield, & is upon the main branch of Deerfield River, or, as it is commonly called, Deerfield River, and is bounded as follows, viz.: East at the mouth of North River, so called, where it empties into Deerfield River; extending up said



river, or west to the Great Mountain, and is bounded west at the foot of the Great Mountain that separates and divides the Waters that flow from thence East into Connecticut River and West into Hudson River, and it is about ten miles from the mouth of North River to the Mountain. Extending north five miles fr sd river; south also five miles from sd river, which tract of land descended to us from our grandmother, Ohweemin, an Indian of the Scaughtecook tribe.

Sold by Mawhammetpeet, wife of Tiahpukcaumin.

Megunnisqua, her (x) mark.

Tiahpukcaumin, his (o) mark.

Weesawneah, his (bow) mark.

Paughtanwaypeet, his (c) mark.

This deed is on file in the Register of deeds office in the Franklin County Court House, Greenfield, among the Hampshire County Abstracts. To it, the late George Sheldon in his writings appends this:

The following men declare the land was owned by the parties claiming and selling it:

Masquequnt x	Maunautookoah x	Cauchaushawrt x
Francois	Aumesaucoonek	Mascommah
Coukayoungweh	Tacawmis	Toomis
Wauquanheeg	Wallenus	Penawaus
Noocaus	Maumaquix	Keewauhoose
Loksacaum	Ompoochaw	

Witnesses, Ebenezer Williams, Elijah Williams, Thomas Wells 2d, John Hastings.

#### GRANTS TO BOSTON

The same year that this deed was passed, the General Court of Massachusetts granted three townships in western Massachusetts to the town of Boston in consideration of the payment by the latter town of about one-fifth of the colony tax, and large sums of money for the support of the schools and the poor. The vote concerning this was taken in the House of Representatives on June 27, 1735:

Voted, that there be, and hereby is, granted to the town of Boston, three tracts of land, each of the contents of six miles square; and to be laid out in some suitable place or places in the unappropriated lands of the Province for Townships, by a surveyor and chainman under oath, and to return plans whereof to this Court for confirmation, within twelve

months; provided the town of Boston do, within five years, from the confirmation of the said plans, settle on each of the said towns sixty families of his Majesty's good subjects, inhabitants of this province, in a regular and defensible manner as the lands will admit of; each of said sixty families to build and finish a dwelling house on his home lot of the following dimensions; Eighteen feet square and seven feet stud at the least; that each of said settlers within said town bring to and fit for improvement, five acres of said home lot, either by plowing or for mowing, by stocking the same with English grass, and fence the same well in, and actually live on the spot; and also that they build and finish a suitable and convenient House for the public worship of God, and settle a learned Orthodox minister in each of said towns, and provide for their honorable and comfortable support;—and also, lay out three house-lots in each of said towns, each of which to draw a sixty-third part of said town, in all future divisions; one to be left for the first settled minister, one for the ministry, one for the school.

#### BOSTON TOWNSHIP No. I

A tract of land was laid out containing twenty-three thousand and forty acres, surveyed by Nathaniel Kellogg and two chainmen under oath, and was called Boston Township No. 1. This embraced the town of Buckland, the greater part of Heath and the town of Charlemont. By vote of the free holders and other inhabitants of Boston, the selectmen sold Township No. 1, in May 1737, to John Read, Esq., for one thousand and twenty pounds, Read promising to comply with the conditions of the original grant. On the fourteenth of December next, Read sold to John Checkley and Gershom Keyes, reserving seventeen hundred and sixty acres in the northwest part of the tract and imposing upon them the original conditions of the grant.

On the twenty-third of April 1741, Keyes sold to Moses Rice of Rutland, Mass., twenty-two hundred acres, and during the same year, other portions of the township to Nathaniel Cunningham and Benjamin Clark. To Ebenezer Storer he conveyed fifteen hundred and eighty-four acres lying in the northeast corner of the place; November first to Phineas Stevens of Deerfield one thousand acres, five hundred of which lay south of the Deerfield River—now Buckland—and five hundred on the north side, on the east line of the town. This thousand-acre purchase

Stevens sold to Othniel Taylor of Deerfield for one thousand pounds. These with other transactions were made largely for speculation. Boston appears to have taken the money and freed herself from the obligations imposed.

### FORTS BUILT

With the declaration of war by England upon France, a period elapsed when no settlements could wisely be made. As a precaution against the allied French and Indians from the north, the Massachusetts General Court built, at the expense of the colony, a line of forts which were: Shirley in Heath, Pelham in Rowe, Massachusetts in Adams, Morrison, South, McDowell's and Lucas forts in Colrain, four in Bernardston and three in Vernon, Vt. Five hundred men were assigned to garrison these and also to strengthen the old forts. This line of fortifications was built under the supervision of Ephraim Williams, Jr., then an active officer with the commission of Captain in the Hampshire regiment under command of Colonel John Stoddard of Northampton. Captain Williams met an untimely death at Lake George, September 8, 1755, where he with his command were sent out in what has come to be known as "The Bloody Morning Scout." His legacy became the foundation of Williams College and has endeared his memory, especially to the people of Western Massachusetts.

These forts, after the manner of the day, were built of logs or hewn plank, surrounded with pickets—squared timbers sharpened and driven into the ground—so as to form a continuous fence. The guns used were of the swivel type, served by soldiers of the fort.

### CAPTAIN MOSES RICE

Captain Moses Rice, the first settler in Charlemont, had made his home on the direct line of travel between Deerfield and Fort Massachusetts, on the trail running through Charlemont, of which Buckland was then a part. Here he cultivated his fields unmolested until August 1746, when Fort Massachusetts was attacked by eight hundred French and Indians. The small garrison of twenty-two men, commanded by Sergeant John Hawks of Deerfield, fought bravely for twenty-eight hours, but



lacking ammunition were compelled to surrender. During the preceding week, Captain Rice, because of the many ominous rumors, had removed his family to Deerfield. Thus they were saved from the massacre that would have inevitably befallen, had they remained, for after the capture of Fort Massachusetts a party of Indians came through Charlemont and completely destroyed the home of Captain Rice and despoiled his growing crops.

Three years elapsed. At the close of the war, Captain Rice and his family returned to their lands in Charlemont and again made for themselves a home.

#### EARLY SETTLERS

About the time of the arrival of the Taylors in 1750, a family by the name of Hawkes also came from Deerfield. There were three brothers, Gershom, Seth and Joshua. They purchased in the southwest section of Charlemont, their land lying on both sides of the river. Their eastern boundary touched the land of Captain Rice's holdings. They built two houses, both on the north side of the Deerfield. These three families, the Rices, Taylors and Hawkes, were the earliest settlers in Charlemont, nor did others come for some time. They endured all kinds of hardships and privations, and in 1752 Captain Rice was sent to Boston to petition the authorities for relief. This was in reality the first step toward the legal existence of the place as a "Plantation," and as a result the General Court levied a tax of one penny an acre upon the non-resident proprietors for three successive years—public lands excepted. The money so raised was to be used to finish the meeting house; for laying out and clearing roads; and in any other way that the proprietors should determine at their meetings. Captain Rice was instructed to call a proprietor's meeting. On the same day, the General Court awarded Captain Rice one hundred acres of land at the south end of the township to reimburse him for the destruction of his home by the Indians.

Now other settlers began to appear. Joseph Wilder, Jr., Esq., came from Lancaster and purchased from William Ward and John Checkley all unsold portions of the township. Immediately he sold to men of Lancaster and Leominster who were of good



standing in their communities, and they began to co-operate with the settlers accomplishing much to improve the township.

A prominent man of this group was Jonathan White of Lancaster. His wife was Esther, daughter of Joseph Wilder. Although not a resident of Charlemont until in his declining years, he came hither to live with his son, yet Jonathan White continually aided the infant settlement. One daughter, Esther, married Samuel Taylor, the most influential man in the early history of Buckland. Another, Abigail, became the wife of Lemuel Taylor and lived all her married life in the north part of the town on the farm owned by the late Marcus Purrinton.

After Captain Rice's return from Boston, he immediately, as instructed, issued a warrant for the first meeting of the proprietors. At this he was chosen moderator; Joseph Wilder, Jr., proprietor's clerk; Othniel Taylor, treasurer; Eleazer Hawkes, Moses Rice, Joseph Wilder, Jr., assessors; Captain Jonathan White of Lancaster and Gershom Hawkes of Charlemont, collectors.

Now a mill was built for grinding corn, something which could not be done up to this time nearer than Deerfield. A committee for procuring preaching was chosen. Work and plans were carried on for finishing the house of worship which had been begun earlier. But while all these much to be desired projects were being furthered, trouble again appeared on the horizon.

### INDIAN TROUBLES

No sooner had peace been declared in 1748, than the French began to strengthen their contacts with the Indians, hoping thereby to confine the English to the Atlantic coast by extending a strong barrier from the St. Lawrence River and the lakes which they controlled, to the south where they already held the Mexican gulf. This naturally greatly alarmed the colonists. They feared that if the French controlled this western area, they would eventually be overcome, and that the protestant faith so dear to them would be forever wiped out. Massachusetts took early measures to improve the conditions on her frontiers. A system of defense was adopted similar to that of the former war. Forts Dummer and Massachusetts were strengthened. Forts Pelham

and Shirley had not been found as useful as the others and were in poor condition, so were abandoned early in 1754 and the settlers advised to build protections or forts around their dwellings. Because of this the Hawkes, Rices and Taylors fortified their houses. The people in Charlemont were in constant fear, going to their daily tasks well armed, while the women and children were kept within the enclosures, unless attended by a guard.

But even these measures proved futile, for on the eleventh of June, 1755, Moses Rice while working in his corn field with his son Artemus, grandson Asa, Titus King and Phineas Arms, was surprised and overcome by a party of Indians who killed Phineas Arms, wounded and took him prisoner and also captured his grandson Asa. Later in the day Captain Rice was found scalped and survived but a short time. This terrible tragedy was the only depredation in Charlemont.

To some possibly all this account may seem irrelevant to Buckland, but it must be borne in mind that Charlemont as the older and parent town furnished in her early happenings the intimate background of Buckland's history, therefore it has a legitimate place here.

#### PROPRIETORS' MEETING

The treasurer of the plantation or "Proprietary" of Charlemont had been Othniel Taylor and he held this office until the town was incorporated.

At a proprietors' meeting held October 20, 1763, Messrs. White, Dana and Wilder were chosen a committee to petition the General Court for a new penny tax, for three years, on all the lands in the township; also for a grant to be laid out in the unappropriated lands of the province, in lieu of the land taken from Charlemont by Colrain.

The last proprietors' meeting was on June 5, 1765, when it was agreed to set apart three lots as public lots: one of five hundred acres east of the Rice farm; one of five hundred acres at the falls—where is now Buckland village; and the remainder was to constitute a third lot.

#### INCORPORATION OF CHARLEMONT

June 21, 1765, on the petition of a committee consisting of Colonel White, Othniel Taylor and Aaron Rice, the General

Court granted an act of incorporation and on the sixth day of January 1766, the inhabitants of the newly organized town of Charlemont held their first town meeting at the house of David White.

#### LAND TAX

The inhabitants, numbering about thirty families, were dissatisfied because the General Court had not ordered the long delayed land tax. Therefore Aaron Rice presented to this body a petition, which told in detail the past and present conditions of the town; that the meeting house was only raised and covered and that there was no settled minister; that the poor financial condition of the people rendered it impossible to do these things for themselves, and urged that the non-residents be obliged to fulfill the conditions of the settlement, in so far as it applied to them.

Because of this plea, the Governor and both Legislative Houses agreed to the following:

Ordered, that there be a tax of one penny per acre, yearly, granted for three years, upon all the land in the town of Charlemont (public lands excepted), and that the money thereby arising be applied as follows, viz.: fifty pounds, a part of said money toward the finishing of the meeting house already set up in said town, and that the remainder of it be applied to pay for preaching the gospel and settling and supporting a minister; and that said tax be final, so far as respects those proprietors who have settled a proportionable number of families in said town. The petitioners to enter an account of their doings in the Town Books.

In all of these things it can well be seen that those living within the present town limits of Buckland must have experienced a lively interest, for the church in Charlemont was to be the nearest to them and there they would go Sundays regardless of the distance.

The penny tax was a boon to the people who at once set about providing a pastor, and Rev. Jonathan Leavitt of Connecticut was called. Before this all the inhabitants of this section had been members of the church in Deerfield and had gone there for baptisms and the sacrament of the Lord's Supper, and the minister of the Deerfield society had doubtless been called upon for weddings and funerals. So to have a minister within their fold was rightfully considered a great blessing.



## MEETING HOUSE

The meeting house was built on a hill overlooking the Deerfield. This was later called "Meeting House Hill" and here Mr. Leavitt preached for a number of years, his congregation including people in the present towns of Buckland, Hawley, Heath and Charlemont. The Rev. Moses Miller wrote:

Some came on horse-back, some on foot for miles around, carrying their infant children in their arms, some waded, some forded and some boated the rapid Deerfield or crossed on its frozen waters. Some came on sleds, perhaps a few in sleighs, but none ever came in anything like the vehicles of the present day. They had no cushions to be seated upon, but a rough hard board and no back to lean against, and they had at that time long prayers and long sermons.

## ASAPH WHITE'S APPLICATION

A special town meeting was held on December 23, 1773, when it was agreed that Asaph White should make application to the General Court for three thousand acres of land adjoining on the south side of Charlemont, which on June 18, 1767 had been granted to Hezekiah Ward and others because of the loss of their lands in running the Colrain line. White stated that the settlers on these lands refused to pay taxes in Charlemont because they did not belong to said town. This petition was granted February 4, 1774.

## SCHOOLS

The town records of Charlemont reveal that no appropriations were made for the public schools until 1770, when nine pounds were voted to be divided among the three districts—the upper (the present Charlemont village), the hill (later Heath), and the lower district. This lower one was made up in part of children living south of the Deerfield River, in what was later Buckland. Here again we see the interests of Buckland in the background found in Charlemont's early educational history. Before this period the children were taught at the fireside by their hard working parents, who prized as among their greatest blessings religion and education, and who underwent great hardships to provide these for their families.



## PETITION FOR INCORPORATION AND REPLIES

All the people living south of the Deerfield River were becoming very much dissatisfied because of the trials incurred by traveling such a distance—involving the crossing of the river under varying and hazardous conditions, to attend church, school and town meetings. Hence it was decided to petition the General Court for incorporation as a separate township. Jonathan Ward was agent for the petitioners. He made the tedious journey to Boston, carrying a map of this section, in which the petitioners lived, made by Samuel Taylor; also the following petition:

State of the Massachusetts Bay &c

To the Honorable the Great and General Court, or Assembly of said State—The Petition of a Number of Inhabitants settled on a Number of Grants Called No-Town Adjoining Ashfield on the South, Shelburne on the East, Charlemont on the North, on the West Partly by Charlemont and Partly by Number Seven as will Appear on the Plan, Delivered herewith Together with a Number of Inhabitants on the south side of Charlemont Above Named in the County of Hampshire Humbly Sheweth.

That the Inhabitants of No-Town being a Non incorporate State are in Consequence thereof Destitute of Gospel Ministry and Schooling and the means of providing and making Roads and all Other Town Privileges and Labour under the Inconvenience of being Taxed to Sundry Towns, and those of s<sup>d</sup> Charlemont being at the Extreme part of the Town some of which are about Six miles from s<sup>d</sup> Charlemont Meeting House, and all Separated from the main body by Deerfield River which is very Difficult to pass the greater part of the year and are therefore Destitute of Preaching and Schooling and other Town Advantages and being Desirous of injoying the whole which Cant be unless are incorporated into a Town, do in Conjunction Earnestly Petition and Request that said Honourable Court would Maturely Consider the Great Disadvantages and Inconveniences we labour under in our Present situation, and also the great advantages that will accrue to us and the Publick, by our being Incorporated into a Township and if Consistant with your wisdom and Prudence, Incorporate the Lands as Delineated in the Plan into a Township, that so we may Enjoy Privileges in Common with our fellow Creatures which will greatly facilitate the bringing forward the settling the Non-Resident lands—as in Duty Bound your Petitioners shall Ever Pray.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 11th AD 1778

## Residing on the Grants

Philip Mathewson	Jesse Edson	Abel Cooke
Gardner Wilder	William Jones	Nehemiah Sprague
Nathan Cooke	Eli Fuller	David McNitt
Josiah Cooke Jr.	Josiah Drake	Robert Clark
Ebenezer Sprague	Arshilel Lindsey	Peter Shippe
Ichabod Thompson	Daniel Bacon	Anthony Jones
Oliver Cooke	Josiah Cooke	Nathan Shippe

## Residing in Charlemont

Sam <sup>l</sup> Taylor	Josiah Ward	Gershom Ward
Elias Carter	Samuel Carter	Barzillar Ellis
John Watkins	Elisha Carter	Zacheus Robey
John Donly	Enos Taylor	Cherls Hudson
Nahum Ward	Lem <sup>l</sup> Taylor	Jedediah Jones
Stephen Keyes	James Butler	Asa Carter
Josiah Johnson	John Burns	Oliue Orms
	William Dandely	

We the Non Resident Proprietors of the within Mentiond lands Desire that the afore written Petition may be Granted as in Duty Bound shall Ever Pray

Jon <sup>a</sup> Ward	Jonathan Ward	Jon <sup>a</sup> Sprague
Charles Mathewson	Stephen Allis	Joseph Washburn
Oth Taylor	Gershom Ward	Ephraim May.—Mass.

This petition was read in the House, January 28, 1779, and committed to Messrs. Washburn, Smead and Stewart, who, on the next day reported the resolve, ordering notice to be served upon the inhabitants and non-resident proprietors.

## State of Massachusetts Bay

We the Subscribers being some of the Non Resident Proprietors of Certain lands lying in a Plantation called No-Town and in the South part of Charlemont which lands are bounded on Ashfield and East on Shelburn & Said River Desire the General Court of Said State to incorporate the lands above discribed into a Township as is petitioned for by the Inhabitants & Some of the Non-Resident Proprietors of said lands as by their petition Dated Dec<sup>r</sup> 11th, 1778 Exhibited to said Court with a plan of said lands Appears Reference thereto being had

Ross Wyman  
Issac Kibbe.—*Ibid.*

Charlemont Dec<sup>r</sup> 11th 1778

These Certify that Col<sup>o</sup> Jonathan Ward is Chosen an Agent to Prefer a Petition to the General Court of the Mass-



achusetts State to get a Township Incorporated including that part of Charlemont Lying the South side of Deerfield River East of N° Seven and Certain Grants of Land Called No Town, Bounding East on Shelburne South on Ashfield North on Charlemont West partly on Charlemont and Partly on N° Seven

Attest    Jesse Edson  
              Philip Mathewson  
              Committee for the Inhabitants  
              Samuel Taylor  
              Elias Carter  
              of said Lands.—*Ibid.*

State of Massachusetts Bay    In the House of Representatives Jan 29, 1779

On the Petition of the Inhabitants of the Plantation Called notown and the part of Charlymont on the South Side of Deerfield River & East of Number Seven—Resolved that the Petitioners Notify the Inhabitants of Charlymont that they may Shew cause if Any they have, on the first Wednesday of the Next Sitting of this Court why the prayer of Said Petition Should not be granted by leaveing a Coppy of their Petition with this Order thereon with the Town Clerk of Charlymont at Least Twenty Days before Said Sitting also that they Notify all the Non Resident Proprietors of Said Lands by serving some one of them with a copy of this petition & Order within said term—

Sent up for Concurrence    John Pickering Spk<sup>r</sup>  
 In Council Jan<sup>y</sup> 30, 1779    Read & Concurred John Avery  
    D Sec<sup>y</sup>.

On the 8th of April, the following return having been made of service of notice under the foregoing resolve, the petition was referred to a joint committee, consisting of Josiah Stone, of the Council, and Messrs. Sumner and Brooks of the House, "to hear the parties, and report what may be proper to be done thereon."

Boston March 9: 1779

Wharas the General Court (on the Petition of the Inhabitants of the plantation called NoTown and the Inhabitants of that part of Charlemont lying South of Deerfield River & East of N° Seven, praying that the Lands bounded North on Said River West partly on Said Charlemont & partly on Said N° Seven, South on Ashfield and Easterly on Shelburn may be incorporated into a Town) did on Jan<sup>y</sup> 29 & 30th 1779 order that the Town of said Charlemont and the Non resident proprietors of the above described Lands Should be Served with a Copy of said petition & the order

of the Court on the same by leaving a Copy of said petition & order of said Court with the Town Clerk of said Charlemont and with one of the Non Resident proprietors of Said Lands at least twenty days before the 1st day of the next sitting of the Said Court I do hereby certify that I left a Copy as directed with Ross Wyman and Read a Copy of Said Petition to Isaac Kibbe both of them being Non-Resident proprietors & sent a Copy to Capt Samuel Taylor of Said Charlemont (who is a man of undoubted veracity) & has since told me that he received the same and with his own hand delivered said Copy to the Town Clerk of said Charlemont as was ordered & that the Selectmen of said Charlemont had inserted an article in their Warrant Issued for calling their annual March Meeting for having said Charlemont act as they tho' proper on said petition &c

Attest Jon<sup>a</sup> Ward Agent for the Petitioners. *Ibid.*

#### PETITION GRANTED

On the ninth of April, the committee above named reported "that the prayer of the petition be granted, and leave given to bring in a bill for incorporating said lands into a town," which was accepted, and on the tenth, that bill of this chapter was read a first time in the House. On the thirteenth, the bill was sent to be ingrossed, sent up to the Council, for concurrence, and there concurred in; and on the fourteenth, it was passed to be enacted.

Within a few days after this chapter had been enacted, the Legislature was applied to by Asaph White, agent for the town of Charlemont, for its repeal. White's petition which was read in the House April 19, 1779 has not been found, but it appears that the prayer of the petitioner was, "That this act may be repealed or altered." The petition was instantly referred to a joint committee, consisting of Messrs. Brooks and Pyncheon of the House, and Baker of the Council, "to consider the same and report what may be proper to be done." On the twentieth, this committee reported a resolve ordering notice of the petition to be served on the inhabitants of Buckland, to appear on the second Wednesday of the next session of the General Court to show cause why the prayer thereof should not be granted. Nothing more of this has been learned.

Thus Buckland became an independent town and was incorporated on April 14, 1779.





## CHAPTER

# 3

### EARLY SETTLERS

*As light and the day are free to all men  
So nature has left all lands open to brave men.*

WE are descended from men of no common mold. They were worthy sons of the men who first landed on these shores. These fathers of our fathers were indeed a peculiar people. They were the seed, wheat, sifted by the winds of persecution from the chaff of the old world, and wafted across the sea, to be sown broadcast upon a virgin soil in the new world. They were educated men. They had drunk deeply of purer streams of the living waters of truth. They feared God, and bore true fealty to the obligations of justice and truth. They lived not for themselves alone. Born in the wilderness, and reared amid dangers and hardships, if they had less of liberal culture, they exhibited in no less degree the higher and sterner virtue which their times demanded. True also, to the future, they sowed that we might reap; they laboured that we might inherit in peace.

May ours be the high privilege, as it is the solemn duty, to transmit this rich inheritance, unimpaired to the generations to come. So shall we best honor the memory of the Fathers.

Thus did Joseph White write concerning the early settlers of this section, where they were eager to buy land and establish for themselves homes. They had journeyed up the Deerfield and settled first in Charlemont, then in Buckland because of the many intervalles and good water power. Now that portion of Charlemont south of the river began to come into its own.

### FIRST HOUSE

Othniel Taylor had owned a large tract of land in the south-east section, bought in 1742. He with his sons had crossed the

river and finding excellent water power at the Mill Yard, had with the help of Asaph White, built and operated three different saw mills. The first was completed in 1769. His oldest son, Samuel, reaching manhood, was soon to marry Esther White, a sister of Asaph. Othniel Taylor therefore, decided to give a farm to the younger man, and chose the section which later became known as Buckland center. Then at the Mill Yard the lumber was prepared for probably the first house in town which was built about 1770. This still stands, a fine specimen of the earlier homes, on the road leading west from Buckland center, the second house beyond the cemetery. To this commodious house, Samuel Taylor brought his bride. Because the study of the old days, ways and people, is usually appealing to those of the present, here is given a brief account of these forefathers.

#### THE TAYLOR FAMILIES

Samuel, the oldest son of Othniel Taylor, was born at Deerfield, September 21, 1744. His long life of over four score years was first spent in the anxious hours of the French and Indian warfare and the bitter struggle of the American Revolution. When he was about five years old, his parents moved some fifteen miles northwest of Deerfield to an unsettled section which later became Charlemont. Here he lived a truly strenuous life. There was much for even boys to do in an unsettled and heavily wooded country. Hard manual labor at an early age, a constant fear of Indian attacks, and association with soldiers on their way to frontier forts to the west, doubtless had much to do with the formation of a character that made him a strong, self reliant and successful man. He had a better education than most people of those days, but just where it was obtained is unknown. A letter written to him and one or more of his brothers in 1765, shows that they were then at Hinsdale, N. H., and suggests that they might have been at some school. Samuel Taylor not only learned surveying, but was withal a most excellent penman. He early took an active part in the town affairs of Charlemont.

On December 2, 1769, he was married at Leominster, by Rev. John Rogers, to Esther, daughter of Colonel Jonathan and Esther (Wilder) White. She was born April 9, 1750, and when but four-



teen years old was sent by her parents to keep house for her brothers, who had settled in the south part of Heath, then also a part of Charlemont.

Samuel Taylor was a representative to the General Court from Charlemont and in February and April 1775, a member of the Provincial Congress at Watertown. His commission as Justice of the Peace was signed by Samuel Adams, clerk of the court, and dated 1777. This office he held the most of his life thereafter. His father gave him the farm on which he lived in Buckland, probably about the time he was married. Now living in Buckland, he at once assumed a prominent place in her history. He was largely instrumental in securing incorporation as a town, was the first town clerk and held that office until 1820. As a civil engineer, he surveyed and laid out a large part of Buckland and the nearby territory. He made two maps of the town, one in 1779 and another in 1794. Buckland has other reasons for recalling "Square Taylor," as he gave the land for a cemetery at the center, and for a nominal sum the Common and the land on which the schoolhouse now stands. This latter gift—or sale—is found recorded at the register of deeds office at Greenfield, and shows that Samuel Taylor, Esq., of Buckland, sold for the sum of eighteen dollars, twenty-five rods of land for the sole purpose of a Common, never to have a building or buildings erected upon it. This clause of restriction applies of course to that part to be used as public grounds. This deed transferred the property to: Joseph Ward, Robert Lazell, Alpheus Brooks, John Ames, Benjamin Carter, Nathan Batchelder, Ziba Leonard, Thomas Carter, Luke Carter, Simion Butler, William Goodenough, Alfred Jones, Oliver May, Jesse Pratt, Edward Perkins, Joseph Ballard, William Putnam, James Lackey, Asa Nichols, Jabez Brooks, Zenas Graham and Samuel Taylor, Jr. It is safe to assume that these mentioned men were those upon whom the conduct of civic affairs largely devolved at that time.

Chosen as Buckland's first representative to the General Court, Samuel Taylor was so continued for about twenty-five years. He was commissioned Coroner in the reign of George the Third, in 1766. His is the first name on the list of original members of the Congregational church at Buckland center, in which organization he also held the offices of moderator, chorister and deacon. While his strength permitted, he remained a constant attendant

at all church gatherings whether for worship or business, ever manifesting a strong desire to maintain the ordinances of the Gospel and the rules and discipline of Christ's Church.

He was a true patriot, during the Revolutionary struggle holding the rank of Captain. In 1777 he was chosen as a member of the Committee of Safety for Charlemont. He was also out in field service. As his home was at that time within the limits of Charlemont, his service, as was that of his brothers, in the Revolutionary War, is to be found credited to that town, and the reader is referred for details, to the *Soldiers and Sailors of Massachusetts in the Revolutionary War*.

For some time he retained a partnership with his father in building and carrying on the first saw and grist mill in Buckland, which stood in the midst of a pine forest at what has ever since been known as the "Mill Yard." As an elder and well beloved brother, his advice and assistance were often sought by his brothers and sisters. Some of the above is taken from his funeral sermon, which also adds that his married life covered more than sixty years; that Mr. and Mrs. Taylor had twelve children, sixty-six grandchildren, and fifty-two great-grandchildren. He died September 5, 1837 at the advanced age of ninety-three years.

Colonel Leavitt (of Charlemont) told of boarding in Mr. Taylor's family while teaching school in Buckland, and that he well remembered how he looked, dressed in short breeches with knee buckles and long hose, a long peruke and three cornered hat which constituted the correct dress for a gentleman of that day.

#### LEMUEL TAYLOR

Lemuel Taylor, son of Othniel, was born in Deerfield, February 11, 1748. From an old account book it is learned that in December 1770, he began to pay his board to his father at the rate of four shillings a week, and that he remained with him during the years 1771 and 1772, working in the saw mill, where he received sixteen shillings for every five thousand feet of boards sawed.

His marriage to Abigail, daughter of Colonel Jonathan White of Leominster and Heath, occurred at the former place in February 1773. She was born at Lancaster, November 16, 1752, and was a sister of Captain Samuel Taylor's wife. Mrs. Taylor was



noted for her uniform good nature and her constant attendance at church.

Lemuel Taylor was a farmer by occupation, his home being on the Marcus Purrinton place, now owned by Leon Goodnow. He brought to Buckland the grafts of a very fine quality of fall apples which to this day are popular. They are known as "Lem's Graft" or "Taylor Apples."

Lemuel Taylor was one of the founders of the Congregational church, and for many years one of the deacons. For his Revolutionary service, see the chapter on the Revolutionary War.

By a niece he was described as "a very uprightly man of slender form, blue eyes and light hair, ever kind and generous, with a lively turn of mind." He died July 28, 1834 and his widow Abigail, the following December fifth.

#### WILLIAM TAYLOR

William, son of Othniel Taylor, was born at Charlemont, January 27, 1758. He resided in Buckland, his farm being directly opposite his home across the river and near the Buckland station. To this he took many of the old timbers from the old Taylor fort on the Charlemont side, using them in the construction of outbuildings. "It is believed that he was the William Taylor who served a short time in the company commanded by his brother Samuel, in the Revolutionary War" (W. O. Taylor).

That he took an active interest in civic affairs is attested by his being quite prominently connected with the formation of Franklin County which was incorporated June 24, 1811.

He married December 30, 1784, Abigail, daughter of Edward and Hannah Giles of Charlemont.

#### ENOS TAYLOR

Enos Taylor, son of Othniel, was born at Charlemont, February 3, 1751, the first white child born in that town. His home in Buckland was on the farm now owned by Wilbur Scott, and not far from his brother Lemuel. He is said to have been a very generous man with a partiality for speedy horses. He was in the company commanded by his brother Samuel when it was ordered out to reinforce General Schuyler at Saratoga. When the company was returning he was met by a messenger at Albany, bringing the

sad news that some of his children were very ill and not expected to live. Procuring a fast horse he set out for his home in Buckland which he reached just as his daughter Olive was dying; one other had died two days before. This was at the time of a terrible epidemic which cost so many lives, especially among children, and was largely due to lack of sanitation.

He was married February 25, 1774, to Eunice Longly of Hawley. She was a model mother of the old puritan stamp and trained her boys to blacken their boots on Saturday or go to church without blacking them. Before the Buckland church was organized the family had to walk three or four miles to attend divine service. This Mrs. Taylor often did, wading the Deerfield River, carrying her shoes and stockings in one hand and a baby in the other arm.

Enos Taylor died March 25, 1831 and his wife Eunice, February 25, 1840.

#### TERTIUS TAYLOR

Tertius Taylor, son of Othniel, was likewise given a tract of land in Buckland containing one hundred and thirty-five acres. This began on the southeast corner of the five hundred belonging to his father Othniel. It is now known as the Alfred Woodward place on the old road back of Burnam cottage. Here he lived until his brother Othniel (who had the old Fort Farm) removed to Canandaigua, N. Y. Then he bought the latter's place, moved back across the river in 1792, and there spent the rest of his life. He married August 2, 1781, Elizabeth, daughter of Elias and Deborah Carter of Buckland. She was born in Leominster, July 26, 1763, and survived her husband twenty-one years, passing away January 16, 1843. During the time of her widowhood, she received a pension of three hundred dollars annually. Tertius Taylor died December 22, 1822.

#### HENRY TAYLOR

Henry Taylor, son of Samuel, was born at Buckland, June 25, 1780, and became quite influential in his day. He was a Major in the state militia. For a long time he kept a store at the Mill Yard, then the business section. As early as 1839 he became



much interested in his family history, collecting much valuable data. Too much praise cannot be given him for his efforts in this line, for the cost of securing information in those days was considerable and many records not readily obtainable. In a letter he wrote concerning a recent trip he had made to New York City, "to go from here to the city of New York requires but six days, a distance of 900 [?] miles, and is not considered anything more than an everyday occurrence."

On December 5, 1803, he married his own cousin, Eunice, daughter of Enos and Eunice (Longley) Taylor, of Buckland. She was born February 6, 1781; died December 5, 1855. Henry Taylor died July 27, 1862.  
(Holbrook, Dr. Silas, see Physicians.)

#### WARD FAMILIES

To establish the exact dates of the Ward families coming to Buckland is impossible. Early deeds on file at Greenfield, reveal that they held large tracts of land in the western part of what was later Buckland, at a very early period. As early as September 12, 1743, Hezekiah Ward bought of William Ward of Southborough, one third part of Township No. 2, which had been granted to Boston and was called later Colrain. The other two proprietors were Colonel Joseph Heath of Roxbury and Joshua Winslow, Esq., of Boston. Then again from early deeds, on March 18, 1752, Hezekiah of Grafton sold to Jonathan Ward of Westborough four hundred acres, it being a part of the one thousand acres "that my Honored father bought of Gershom Keys." This lay in Township No. 1, which had been granted to Boston and was later Charlemont. "I now sell it as it lyeth in common with five hundred acres formerly conveyed to William Johnson by my honored Father." The price was 260 pounds.

From the Hampshire County Abstracts (Vol. 2, p. 392), it is gleaned that "Jonathan Ward of Southborough sells to Jonathan and John Amory, both of Boston, for twenty shillings the one half and undivided moiety of a certain tract of Land with two Dwelling Houses and a Grist Mill, saw mill and other buildings thereon, lying in Charlemont containing eighty acres, bounded southerly on the town line, adjoining the Uxbridge farm so-called, easterly partly on Hezekiah Wards, partly on Gershom Wards



and partly on Josiah Wards land." This was in March 1772, and it establishes the fact that the Wards had dwelling houses and mills here as early as that year, on what is now High Street.

At a birthday party given in honor of the late Hezekiah Ward of High Street, the late Graham K. Ward gave among reminiscences, the following:

Colonel William Ward the third, received a grant of one thousand acres of land in Charlemont for losses in the Narragansett War sustained by the father of his wife—Hezekiah the fifth, also obtained a grant with others, of three thousand acres of unimproved lands adjoining Charlemont. He was the grandfather of the first child, Nahum Ward, born in Buckland and as near as we can ascertain from the records, he was the father of Colonel Jonathan Ward, who had a grant of four hundred acres of land in West Buckland.

The late Graham K. Ward's farm is on a part of the early Ward grant and has always been kept in the family. Marjorie Ward Warfield, a granddaughter of G. K. Ward, is living there at the present time.

Gershom Ward settled on the west part of the Ward grant where he died in 1806. His daughter Jennie died soon after his settlement here, and hers is supposed to have been the first death in town. Her grave is marked by an unlettered field stone.

Nahum Ward<sup>5</sup>, son of Hezekiah, lived in Buckland for a while and his son Jonathan was the first white child born here (on October 24, 1770). While here he went by the name of Captain Ward. As a minor he saw service in the French and Indian War. The births of his children from 1783 on, are recorded at Upton, to which place he returned, and made his final home.

#### KERLEY WARD

Kerley Ward was born in Leicester, February 28, 1752, son of Hezekiah, married September 28, 1773, Katy Graham of Spencer. He served one week in the Revolutionary War. While at the Battle of Bunker Hill, a ball from the enemy's ranks struck his elbow, penetrating to the marrow of the bone and following it to the shoulder. By this he was disabled from further service and returned to his home. About 1789 he removed from Upton to Buckland onto the late Graham K. Ward place, then a part of the Colonel Jonathan Ward grant. Here at the

"Upper City" he was engaged in making potash, but in a few years removed to Albany, N. Y., where he became owner of the ground where the present state house stands. In February 1832, he returned to Buckland and spent the rest of life on his old home site, where he died in his eighty-fourth year, at which time he was living with his son, the late Jonathan Ward.

#### JOHN<sup>5</sup> WARD

John<sup>5</sup> Ward lived for some years on the dividing line between Mendon and Upton, part of the dwelling being in each town. He came to Buckland from Upton in 1773, and settled on the Arnold Smith place. He was a well-to-do farmer, a man of versatility, and more than ordinarily popular in the communities wherein he lived. Of his three sons, two, Jeremiah and Joseph, remained in Buckland.

#### DANIEL<sup>5</sup> WARD

Daniel Ward<sup>5</sup>, son of John, was a native of Grafton. During much of the time between 1754 and 1759 he was put on military duty. In 1757 he is recorded as being one of those "enlisted for service on the Western frontier" and who "provided their own guns." In 1759 he joined Amherst's army for the invasion of Canada. During this service on the western frontier he was stationed at Colrain, where he was frequently recorded as "Centinel." At the close of the French and Indian War he moved to Ashfield and from thence to Buckland. He settled on the E. M. Smith place and his sons, John and Alexander, remained in town.

Like the Taylors the Ward families were among the best known of the earlier pioneers, doing much toward the development of Buckland. The sons of the large families, many of whom might almost be regarded as pioneers also, followed in the footsteps of the fathers, and they and their descendants have come to be recognized as among the leading men of the place. For individual accounts and references to the various members of the family, see the text of this work and the genealogical section.

#### BROOKS FAMILY

While Buckland was in its infancy, three young men, sons of Thomas and Lucy Brooks of Lancaster, came to Buckland to



make their homes, Alpheus being here before 1790. According to age they were Alpheus, Jabez and Amos. They were all blacksmiths and each had his own shop. That of Alpheus stood where is now the public library and his home was on the present Willard Aste place. He had a family of seventeen children and was at one time considered the wealthiest man in Buckland, being worth four thousand dollars. The Trows are among his descendants.

Jabez Brooks had a number of children who died in infancy. Of his life nothing has been found.

Amos Brooks married Lucy, a daughter of James Butler. There were twelve children, the first one being born in Buckland. The family then moved to Heath and the others were born in that town. The children of the writer are direct descendants of this marriage.

#### LIEUTENANT WILLIAM PUTNAM

While living in Upton, Lieutenant William Putnam had heard of the fertile country in western Massachusetts, and of Buckland, where rumor said that the pioneer could suspend a shovel of sod over his camp fire and the oil would drip from it, so rich was the soil. So with his wife, children and household goods in a covered wagon, he migrated to Buckland, blazing the trees for safety when he sometimes missed the trail. After many adventures he reached his destination with his earthly possessions, "which besides his wife and household goods [the barest necessities] consisted of two babies, two oxen and two dollars." For many years he was the only settler on the hill, since known as Put's, or Putnam's Hill. Here on the hilltop he made a clearing in the thick woods and built a log cabin. For some time a woolen blanket hung at the opening and served as a door. In later years his wife told stories of her encounters with the bears which pushed aside the blanket and disturbed the family circle.

At that time there was no meeting house in Buckland and with the other settlers there, the Putnam family walked to Charlemont to attend church, some twelve miles from their home for the round trip.

Lieutenant Putnam became a well known figure in town affairs. When Buckland with some of the neighboring towns



formed a militia company, they felt themselves fortunate to have him for their captain, for his reputation acquired during the Revolutionary War as a valiant soldier, and his perfect military discipline were well known. This discipline he evidently extended even to his immediate family for one of his descendants has said, "Grandmother and all the children were drilled as well as the Prussian Army."

In a few years, he erected a frame house in place of the log cabin. Before it was entirely finished, the militia came to salute their captain in his new home. Very early one morning, the family were awakened by a salute fired into the house. The gun barrels had been placed on the threshold and fired under the door, gouging out deep grooves in the new threshold. This very greatly disturbed Dame Putnam, but the Lieutenant considered it a great honor and ever after proudly called the attention of all his visitors to this threshold before they were invited to cross it.

Lieutenant Putnam took an active part in civic affairs and was a staunch supporter of the Baptist church.

#### WILDER

Another early settler that was to become one of the influential men of the community was Gardner Wilder. In 1638, Martha Gardner Wilder, with two sons, emigrated from England, settling in Hingham. To honor her maiden name of Gardner, she had named her oldest son Gardner, and the oldest son of every generation since, has lived to manhood, married and named his first born son Gardner. In 1771 Gardner Wilder settled in Buckland, coming from Leominster. Lieutenant Johnson and the Carter brothers came from the same place at the same time and settled near by. The first male child born in Buckland was Gardner Wilder (authority of W. O. Taylor).

Wilder bought his land from Mary, widow of Lieutenant Samuel Smith, late of Hatfield. This was one half of the four hundred acres, granted by the General Court to Captain Zechariah Field to replace a former grant on which the present town of Athol is located, and which was originally granted to Field in November 1742. Field located his second grant "on the south end of Boston Township, called Checkley's town." Jonathan

Taylor with a surveying party was engaged to lay out this four hundred acre grant, which was bounded on the north by the farm now owned by Wilbur Scott; its south line was very near the north line of the Griswold home farm, running easterly across both the upper and lower streets. On the south it ran very near where the Baptist meeting house formerly stood and a little west of where the post-office now stands. At first Gardner Wilder and Lieutenant Johnson worked together, building a back woods house, near where Wilder later built a second house, which has ever since been occupied by his descendants. At his death his son Gardner took possession of the place. The elder Wilder was a man who held responsible offices in the town that was formed soon after his arrival, and was always active in the church. Edmund Wilder now lives on the old Wilder farm.

#### LIEUTENANT JAMES BUTLER

Lieutenant James Butler, son of Simon, was one of the pioneer settlers of that part of Charlemont, later Buckland. He was born at Leominster, April 8, 1752 and married in January 1777, Sarah, daughter of John and Lucy (Wilder) Joslin. She was born April 3, 1756. After marriage they removed to Buckland where Butler had previously selected his home, the site of his farm being about one mile west of the church. This in later years became known as the "old Butler Place" and has been burned. Sarah Joslin was the granddaughter of Peter Joslin, whose wife, Sarah Howe, was killed by Indians at Lancaster, July 18, 1692.

James Butler was one of the signers for the incorporation of the town. Both he and his wife were charter members of the Congregational church. They had a family of at least eleven children. He was a soldier of the Revolution serving in the capacity of Corporal and later Lieutenant; he died November 19, 1801 and his wife married for her second husband, Levi Stearns of Charlemont.

#### JOSIAH JOHNSON

The earliest settler in the east part of the town was Josiah Johnson, who was born in Leominster, March 7, 1746, son of David. December 15, 1773, he bought in Charlemont, later Buckland, land of Jonathan White of Leominster and Joseph Wilder of Lancaster, described as follows:

"One hundred acres of land in Charlemont, in the County of Hampshire, in the south east part of said town, on the south line of which it is bounded south; on the north it is bounded by Mr. Taylor's farm; on the east it is bounded by the public lands; on the west it is bounded on Mr. Taylor's other farm, called Cleson's Farm." This is a part of the farm now owned by Mr. Belows in East Buckland.

For a short time, Johnson owned a grist mill located at the north part of Buckland, but this he soon gave up, devoting his entire attention to farming, an occupation which he followed the rest of his life. He became a well-known man in civic affairs and in the church. That he saw Revolutionary service as an officer is evidenced by the following commission:

The Major Part of the Council of the Massachusetts Bay in New England; To Josiah Johnson, Gentleman; Greetings; You being appointed Second Lieutenant of the Sixteenth Company (commanded by Samuel Taylor) in the Fifth Regiment of Militia, in the County of Hampshire, whereof Lieutenant-Colonel David Wells of Shelburne is Commandant, By virtue of the power vested in us, We do by these Presents (reposing special Trust and Confidence in your Loyalty, Courage and Good Conduct) Commission you accordingly.

Given under our hands and the Seal of the said State at Boston, the eighteenth day of November, in the year of our Lord, 1779.

By the Command	{	W. Seaver, Artemas Ward, B.
of the Major Part		Greenleaf, Samuel Adams, Jabez
of the Council.		Fisher, Moses Gill, J. Danielson,
		B. White, Josiah Stone, W.
		Spooner, A. Fuller, Joseph Simp-
		son, Jno. Pitts, Thomas Durfee,
		Noah Goodman.

In 1774, he married Martha, daughter of Othniel and Martha Taylor of Charlemont and established his home on his recently acquired land. His family consisted of fourteen children. One of his descendants is Galen Johnson of East Buckland. Josiah Johnson died February 21, 1827; his wife, October 27, 1825. Both are buried in the old church yard at Buckland center.



## JAPHET CHAPIN

Japhet Chapin, the representative of this family in Buckland, came here from Ashfield to which place his father Nathan had removed prior to 1762, from that portion of Springfield later known as Chicopee.

Nathan Chapin died at his son's in Buckland, February 13, 1830 in the 96th year of his age. Japhet was born in Springfield. He lived many years in Buckland where he was well and favorably known as one promoting town and church affairs. He was deacon of the Second Baptist church, and a member of its building committee; for many years he held a commission as Justice of the Peace. He was the father of ten children, the youngest of whom, Luther, was residing in town as late as 1843, but later made his home in Ashfield.

## AMES

Colonel John Ames was born in Marlboro, Mass., in 1767. He settled in Buckland, living where later Joseph Griswold built his home. As a thorough builder and contractor, he was considered one of the best and was called upon to construct many churches in different parts of the state.

At the age of 26 years in 1793, he built the Congregational church at Buckland center. In 1813, he received the contract to build the meeting house in Ashfield, which has been converted for use as a town hall. In the Ashfield history, E. C. Gardner, Springfield's esteemed architect, is quoted as saying, "I have always felt that the tower and steeple of the town hall in Ashfield was one of the finest examples of a very interesting class of New England architecture." Four years earlier, he had built at Northboro, a very similar steeple. By good authorities it is thought that he borrowed his designs from Sir Christopher Wren, who built churches in England about one hundred years before his time. Rev. Mr. Kent, the historian of the Northboro church, at its centennial in 1808, says of its builder:

"Colonel Ames was a carpenter, cabinet-maker, builder and contractor. He built a church in Marlboro in 1805, in Northboro in 1808, a steeple or church in Shrewsbury and several churches in the western part of the state."

In 1800 he built here the house now owned by Ozro Field. He was a leader in the community, serving in the militia as captain in 1801, major in 1804, and lieutenant-colonel in 1807.

The church in Ashfield was to be the last of his work. When the church was nearly completed, on September 4, 1813, Colonel Ames, broken in health by overwork, and also by worry because of losses incurred by reason of the contracts, committed suicide.

By deeds he appears at this time to have been living in Ashfield, just over the line at, or very near "where the new church stands." His holdings in real estate at this time were in both Buckland and Ashfield.

#### CARTER

The Carter family was early represented here by the brothers Elias, Elisha, Samuel and Asa, sons of Nathaniel<sup>1</sup> of Leominster. Their ancestral line goes back through Samuel<sup>3</sup>, Samuel<sup>2</sup>, to Thomas<sup>1</sup>, who was early a minister of Woburn.

Elias Carter was born in Leominster in 1737, there married and had seven children born to him, and six more born in Buckland. In 1774 he bought four hundred and twenty-four acres of land in Buckland for 127 pounds, 4 shillings, and here he made his permanent home, serving the town in many offices. He was a soldier in both the Colonial and Revolutionary Wars.

Samuel Carter was born also in Leominster and is believed to have spent much of his life in Buckland. He is said to have been remarkably intelligent and active. For some years he was blind, but that did not wholly incapacitate him, for he learned to "Peel brooms" for which he found a market at home. There was no known family.

Elisha Carter was born in Leominster in 1748 and removed to Buckland soon after his marriage in 1777.

Asa Carter, born in 1750, lived a short time in Buckland. The births of four of his children are said to have occurred in Charlemont, now "Buckland." About 1781 he removed with his family to Jaffrey, N. H., and later returned to Leominster which town became his final home.

#### GRISWOLDS

The Griswold family came from Litchfield, Conn., about 1785, and included the father, Elias, and his sons Elias, Simeon, Whi-

ting, Horace and Joseph. Of these Major Joseph Griswold became one of the outstanding men in this community, while Whiting Griswold assumed a leading place in the civic life of Greenfield. Joseph Griswold reared a large family of children. In 1818 he built a large brick house on an eminence in the center of the town. In the upper part of this, Mary Lyon taught school for some years. The place is still owned by the Griswold family, and is perhaps one of the most widely known of the older Buckland homes.

#### ENOS POMEROY

At the Four Corners lived Enos Pomeroy, a Revolutionary soldier. He came to Buckland about 1785, with his wife Lucy, daughter of Major John Smith of Hadley. Here he built the two story house where now Clifford Kenney lives and close by on a branch of Clesson's River, his fulling mill. This mill became known for the excellence of its product, the cloth fulled here being of the texture of a very fine broadcloth. Mary Lyon often came on horse-back with the product of her loom, to have it fulled.

Besides this business, Enos Pomeroy carried on a large farm. He reared a family of eleven children, educating them well. One entered Amherst College at the age of fourteen. For many years he served both the town and church in official capacities, was representative to the General Court for ten successive years and declined further election thereto; was delegate to the convention which revised the state Constitution. His death resulted from the effects of a fall. His granddaughter, Mrs. Electa Stratton, is still living at Shelburne Falls, at the advanced age of one hundred and one years.

Eldad Pomeroy, grandfather of Enos, settled in Boston in 1630 and was moderator of the first town meeting held in America.

#### TROWBRIDGE

Daniel Trowbridge, born in New Fairfield, Conn., came with his family to Buckland from Deerfield, in 1789. He chose for his home a place in the north part of the town on the farm now owned by Robert Stetson. Here by the north school, he built in 1829, the brick house costing an even one thousand dollars. The bricks



were brought from East Charlemont. He was a cooper by trade and three of his sons followed that vocation. The oldest and youngest sons, Rufus and Silas, made their permanent homes in town, the other three moving to Ohio. After the death of Daniel, the farm passed to Rufus who sold it to Silas. Rufus Trowbridge then bought that farm now the property of Otis Field, and in 1813, married Deborah Pomeroy of Southampton. When he went for his bride, he led a nice bay horse, saddled, on which to bring her home. Some of the dishes she brought in the saddle bags are still in an excellent state of preservation. On account of a severe illness when young, Rufus Trowbridge was always lame, but in spite of this, he superintended the work on a large farm, held town office, served as deacon of the church over twenty years, was for a long period Justice of the Peace, made out deeds, business papers, and settled estates. He also served as guardian for a number of minors. A nephew, Lewis Covell, orphaned at the age of three years, was a member of his family.

Silas Trowbridge, the youngest son of Daniel, married Electa, daughter of Enos Pomeroy and they became the parents of Mrs. Electa Trowbridge Stratton of Shelburne Falls, now a centenarian.

Trowbridge became known as a most excellent cooper. From 1825 to 1830 he made barrels for a distillery at Ware House Point, Conn., shipping these from Greenfield by boat in lots of one hundred or more. He also made wash-tubs and other wooden ware. He died November 3, 1888.



## CHAPTER

# 4

*The founders of our township wide,  
Who toil and hardship knew.*

### DEVELOPMENT OF THE TOWN

THE New England system of government rejected the European plan of churchly traditions and oppressions, substituting the authority of the scriptures. Strict puritanical religion was the fundamental doctrine of the early households. The first principle of government and foundation of society was the family, the head of which was apt to rule with an iron hand. While this seemed very severe, it nevertheless produced men and women of sterling character. The next element of the government, in an ascending scale, was the town meeting. Townships were organized with fixed boundaries so that all the inhabitants might gather in a purely democratic way and discuss and transact business, and the church and state at this time were closely linked. So far was this carried that in many if not all places, the first records of the church are found incorporated in the town records rather than by themselves. All male citizens of twenty-one years and over were extended the franchise. The action taken at town meetings settled the minister—so far as the town was concerned—and provided for his salary and usually his firewood; established schools and employed teachers; made provisions for constructing and caring for roads and bridges, and for all other matters of common civic interest. During the period between these meetings three men, called selectmen, were chosen to attend to all town business. In this way did the government of our town have its beginning.

No records substantiate the fact that the first town meetings were held in the homes of the influential men, but it is known that for a number of years, the first church services and schools were held in private houses.

The town of Buckland came into existence at the time of the Revolutionary War and many of her men were away in service. This unsettled condition may explain the delay in building the church. Not until 1793 was this frame building started. Samuel Taylor was a leading man in town affairs for many years. His duties were many and varied. Surveying, map-making, settling estates, acting as a real estate agent for non-settlers, drawing up petitions to the General Court and other important town matters occupied his time as outside issues.

#### VALUATION

The valuation of Buckland in 1785 records thirteen dwellings, seventeen barns, two mills (one at the Mill Yard and one in High street), forty-five horses, three two-year-old colts, nine one-year-old colts, fifty-six four-year-old oxen, thirty-three three-year-old neat cattle, fifty-two two-year-old neat cattle, fifty-six one-year-old neat cattle, one hundred and twenty-one cows, and one hundred and thirty-six swine.

#### CENSUS AND VOTING LISTS

During the next five years lands were bought and farms settled with greater rapidity. The first census of the United States was taken in 1790 by Major-General William Shepard of Westfield, assistant marshall for the state, and shows a total population at that time of seven hundred and eighteen people. There were then one hundred and nineteen houses and one hundred and twenty-four families. A copy of this first census follows, and included in it are lists of the voters for the years 1806 and 1822, which were found by the late W. O. Taylor. These three lists were used as the basis for the families included in the genealogy. In the first column is the name of the head of family, followed by the number in the family, if that name appears in 1790. The asterisk denotes those names found on the voters list for 1806 and the dagger those on the list of 1822. In some instances the same family lived here and was registered at more than one time.



NAME    Number in family, 1790    Voter, 1806.    Voter, 1822.

Albey, Reuben.....			†
Alden, Lt. Isaac.....	7.		
Allen, Joseph.....		*	†.
Allis, Benjamin.....	9.		
Allis, Rodolphus.....			†.
Allis, Roswell.....			†.
Allis, Samuel.....			†.
Allis, Stephen.....	5.	*	†.
Ames, John.....		*	
Ames, Reuben.....			†.
Andrews, Salvador.....			†.
Bachelor, Nathan.....		*	†.
Bachelor (Batchelder), Samuel.....		*	
Bacon, Daniel.....	9.		
Bacon, Henry.....	5.		
Bacon, Levi.....	5.		
Ballard, Benjamin.....		*	
Ballard, Joseph.....		*	
Belding, Samuel.....		*	†.
Bement, Daniel.....			†.
Bergen, Capt. Chandler.....	6.		
Blackman, John H.....	6.		
Blackman, Lemuel.....	4.		
Blackman, Rowland.....	5.		
Boyden, Elijah.....		*	†.
Boyden, Joshua.....		*	†.
Brackett, Nathan.....	5.		
Brackett, Jonathan.....			†.
Brackett, Samuel.....	4.	*	†.
Bronson, Smisson.....			†.
Brooks, Alpheus.....	3.	*	†.
Brooks, Jabez.....		*	†.
Brown, Joseph.....	7.		
Bullard, John 1st.....		*	
Bullard, John 2d.....		*	
Burger, John.....	6.		
Bushnell, David.....	3.		
Butler, Andrew.....			†.
Butler, James.....	10.	*	
Butler, Peter.....	2.	*	†.
Butler, Samuel.....		*	†.
Carter, Benjamin.....		*	†.
Carter, Brigham.....			†.
Carter, Elias.....	3.	*	†.
Carter, Elias.....	12.	*	
Carter, Elijah.....		*	

Carter, Elisha.....	7.....	*	†.
Carter, Elisha, Jr.....		*	†.
Carter, John.....		*	
Carter, Luke.....		*	
Carter, Samuel.....	6.		
Carter, Thomas.....		*	
Carter, William.....		*	
Carter, Willis.....			†.
Channey, Isaac.....	7.		
Chapin, Japhet.....	5.		
Chapin, Nathan.....		*	
Chapin, Orlando.....			†.
Chapman, David.....			†.
Chilson, John.....		*	†.
Clark, Adam.....			†.
Clark, James.....		*	†.
Clark, James, Jr.....			†.
Clark, John.....		*	†.
Clark, Jonathan.....		*	
Clark, Robert.....	9.		
Clark, Robert, Jr.....		*	†.
Clark, William.....			†.
Cobb, Josiah.....		*	
Coleman, Gershom.....	7.....	*	†.
Coleman, Jesse.....			†.
Coleman, John.....			†.
Coleman, Nathan.....		*	
Coleman, Nathaniel.....	5.....		†.
Coleman, Oliver.....		*	†.
Conant, Daniel.....	3.		
Cook, Abel.....	9.		
Cook, Jesse.....	3.		
Cook, Josiah.....	5.		
Cook, Nathan.....	8.....	*	†.
Cook, Oliver.....	6.		
Cook, Stephen.....	5.		
Cooke, Rufus.....	5.		
Cross, Abel.....	4.		
Cross, Jeduthan.....	3.....	*	
Cross, Joseph.....	6.		
Davis, Asa.....			†.
Davis, John.....			†.
Davis, Josiah.....	8.....	*	
Demmon, Edward.....	6.		
Dole, Barnett.....		*	
Drake, Arnold.....			†.
Drake, Jehial.....		*	†.
Drake, Josiah.....	3.		

Drake, Josiah.....	3.		
Dunbar, Jeremiah.....	2.		
Eddy, Eli.....		*	†.
Eddy, Peletiah.....		*	†.
Edson, David.....			†.
Edson, Jesse.....	9.	*	†.
Ellis, Edward.....		*	
Ellis, John.....		*	
Elmer, Gad.....	6.		
Farnum, Heman.....			†.
Field, Reuben W.....		*	
Field, Zenas.....			†.
Flower, Joseph.....	5.	*	
Forbes, Edward.....		*	†.
Forbes, Jotham.....	3.	*	
French, Manassah.....	9.		
Frost, Elmer.....			†.
Fuller, Eli.....	5.	*	†.
Fuller, Joseph.....			†.
Furbush, Sarah.....	2.		
Furbush, Thomas.....		*	
Gleason, Jonathan.....		*	
Graham, Zenas.....		*	†.
Grant, Darius.....		*	
Grant, John.....		*	
Gray, Eli.....			†.
Griswold, Elias.....	7.		
Griswold, Joseph.....		*	†.
Hall, Nathaniel.....			†.
Harvey, Jonathan.....	5.	*	
Hathaway, Josiah.....	7.	*	†.
Hathaway, Josiah, Jr.....		*	†.
Hawks, Seth.....	7.		
Hinckley, Solomon.....		*	
Hinds, Richard.....	1.		
Holbrook, Silas.....	7.		
Holden, Alveris.....			†.
Hook, William.....		*	†.
Howard, John.....		*	
Howes, Nathan.....			†.
Hubbard, Joseph.....			†.
Jennings, Ephraim.....	9.		
Jennings, John.....		*	
Jepperson, Joseph.....	7.		
Johnson, David.....	4.		
Johnson, Josiah, Jr.....		*	†.
Johnson, Lt. Josiah.....	9.	*	†.
Johnson, Othniel.....		*	†.



Jones, Abel.....	8.		
Jones, Abraham.....		*	†
Jones, Abraham, Jr.....			†
Jones, Alfred.....		*	†
Jones, Alfred, Jr.....			†
Jones, Anthony.....	10.		
Jones, David W. T.....			†
Jones, Elisha.....			†
Jones, Erastus.....		*	
Jones, Jacob.....			†
Jones, Joshua.....		*	
Jones, Philip.....			†
Jones, William.....	9.		
Jones, William.....		*	
Kendell, Parley.....			†
Kilburn, Samuel.....		*	
Kilburn, Spalah.....		*	
Lackey, James.....		*	
Lazell, Alvah.....			†
Lazell, Calvin.....	4.		
Lazell, Robert.....		*	†
Lee, Samuel.....			†
Leonard, Calvin.....	3.	*	
Leonard, Josiah.....	3.		
Leonard, Seth.....			†
Leonard, Ziba.....	6.	*	
Lindsay, Eliab.....	11.		
Lindsay, Samuel.....	6.		
Lindasay, Stephen.....	4.		
Luscomb, James.....		*	
Lyon, Aaron.....	6.		
Lyon, Nathan.....	7.	*	
Maddison, Philip.....	3.		
Mallory, Niram.....			†
May, Oliver.....	3.	*	
McNight, also McNitt, Adam.....	5.	*	
McNight, also McNitt, Martha.....	7.		
Minot, Nath <sup>1</sup> .....	7.		
Moor, Samuel.....	6.		
Morley, Isaac.....	4.		
Morton, Eliphalet.....			†
Munson, Salmon.....		*	†
Negus, William.....	2.		
Nelson, Elijah.....	4.		
Nelson, Moses.....			†
Nelson, Stephen.....		*	†
Nichols, Asa.....	3.	*	†
Nichols, Cyrus.....			†

Nichols, Joseph.....	*	†
Nichols, Joseph, Jr.....		†
Nichols, Samuel.....	*	
Nims, John.....	*	†
Nims, John, Jr.....		†
Nims, Silas.....	*	
Orcutt, Thomas.....	*	†
Peebles, Patrick.....	*	
Pelton, Albert.....		†
Pelton, Cale.....	*	†
Perkins, Alfred.....		†
Perkins, Edmund.....2.....	*	
Perkins, Rufus.....6.....		
Perkins, Samuel.....		†
Phelps, Edward.....		†
Pierce, Josiah.....		†
Pierce, Richard.....		†
Pomeroy, Calvin.....		†
Pomeroy, Enos.....7.....	*	†
Porter, John.....		†
Pratt, Jesse.....	*	†
Pratt, Josiah.....	*	†
Pratt, Luther.....		†
Putnam, Daniel.....		†
Putnam, Ens <sup>a</sup> William .....8.....	*	
Putnam, William.....		†
Quinn, Hugh.....	*	
Rawson, Moses.....	*	†
Rawson, Oliver.....	*	†
Reniff, James.....	*	†
Ruddock, Edward.....	*	†
Ruddock, Justin.....		†
Rude, Josiah.....	*	†
Rude, Lebeus.....		†
Rude, Rufus.....		†
Rude, Thaddeus.....		†
Savage, Abraham.....7.....		
Shaw, Benjamin.....	*	†
Shaw, Enoch.....		†
Shepard, Amos.....	*	†
Shepard, Joseph.....	*	†
Sherwin, B. Ezra.....		†
Sherwin, Nathaniel.....	*	†
Shippee, Nathan.....5.....		
Smith, Abel.....4.....		
Smith, Elisha.....6.....	*	†
Smith, Emory.....		†
Smith, Enos, Elder.....		†

Smith, Enos, Jr.....	*	
Smith, Enos, Lt.....	6.	
Smith, Jonathan.....	*	†.
Smith, Lemuel.....	*	
Smith, Roswell.....	*	†.
Smith, Samuel.....	*	
Smith, Silas.....	*	†.
Smith, Zebina.....	*	
Spafford, Jacob.....	7.	
Spaulding, Josiah, Rev.....	*	†.
Sprague, Benjamin.....	*	†.
Sprague, Benjamin, Jr.....	*	†.
Sprague, Jonathan.....	*	
Sprague, Jonathan, Jr.....	*	†.
Sprague, Levi.....	*	†.
Sprague, Levi, 2d.....	*	†.
Stebbins, Abr.....	5.	
Taylor, Barnabas.....	*	
Taylor, Barnabas, Jr.....	*	†.
Taylor, Enos.....	12.	†.
Taylor, Enos, Jr.....	*	†.
Taylor, Erastus.....	*	†.
Taylor, Hart.....	*	†.
Taylor, Henry.....	*	
Taylor, Henry.....	*	†.
Taylor, John.....	10.	
Taylor, Lemuel.....	12.	†.
Taylor, Lemuel, Jr.....	*	†.
Taylor, Levi.....	*	†.
Taylor, Orrin.....	*	†.
Taylor, Samuel.....	15.	†.
Taylor, Samuel, Jr.....	*	†.
Taylor, Samuel, 3d.....	*	†.
Taylor, Tarsus (Tertius).....	6.	
Taylor, William.....	5.	†.
Temple, James.....	*	
Temple, Stephen.....	5.	*
Thayer, Elijah.....	*	
Thayer, Elijah, Jr.....	*	
Thayer, William.....	*	†.
Thompson, Josiah.....	*	†.
Thompson, Peter.....	*	
Thompson, Samuel.....	*	
Tilden, Ariel.....	*	†.
Tinsdale, Samuel.....	5.	
Tobey, Issac.....	*	
Tobey, John.....	*	†.
Tobey, Noah.....	11.	



Town, Edmund.....	6.		
Townsley, Dan.....		*	
Trowbridge, Daniel.....	7.		
Trowbridge, Rufus.....		*	†.
Trowbridge, Silas.....			†.
Truesdale, Lemuel.....		*	†.
Truesdale, Samuel.....		*	†.
Truesdale, Wilder.....			†.
Tryon, Josiah.....		*	
Tryon, Timothy.....		*	
Tyler, Nathan.....	9.		
Tyler, Stephen.....	3.		
Veber, Abner.....	2.	*	
Veber, David.....		*	
Veber, Elihu.....		*	
Veber, John.....	7.	*	†.
Veber, John, Jr.....		*	†.
Wade, Amos.....		*	
Wade, Caleb.....		*	
Ward, Jeremiah.....		*	†.
Ward, John.....	4.	*	†.
Ward, John C.....			†.
Ward, Jonathan.....		*	†.
Ward, Josiah.....			†.
Ward, Luke.....	4.		
Ware, Abijah.....	6.		
Ware, Ariel.....		*	†.
Ware, James.....	3.	*	
Ware, Manter.....			†.
Ware, Michael.....	5.	*	†.
Ware, Michael, Jr.....	3.	*	
Ware, Reuben.....	2.		
Ware, Richard.....			†.
Ware, Samuel.....			†.
Whelding, Joshua.....		*	
White, Charles.....			†.
White, Levi.....		*	†.
White, Zebulon.....		*	†.
Whiting, Jacob.....	2.	*	†.
Whiting, Welcome.....			†.
Whiting, William.....	7.		
Wight, Harris.....			†.
Wight, Harvey.....			†.
Wilder, Gardner.....	9.	*	
Wilder, Gardner, Jr.....		*	†.
Wilder, Nathaniel.....		*	†.
Wilkee, John.....	9.		
Williams, Ephraim.....			†.

Willis, Noah.....	*	
Willis, Noah, Jr.....		†.
Wood, Amos.....8.....	*	†.
Wood, Ezra.....		†.
Wood, James.....1.....		
Wood, John.....7.....	*	†.
Wood, Lyman.....		†.
Wood, Nichodemus.....	*	
Wood, Simeon.....	*	
Wood, Theodocius.....		†.
Woodward, Daniel.....	*	
Woodward, Daniel, Jr.....		†.
Woodward, Eliphaz.....		†.
Woodward, Henry.....	*	
Woodward, James.....	*	
Woodward, James, Jr.....	*	
Woodward, Joel.....		†.
Woodward, Spencer.....	*	†.
Woodward, Zopher.....		†.
Wright, Eunice.....3.....		

#### BUCKLAND SIDE, SHELBURNE FALLS

It would appear that the section of Buckland across the river from Shelburne Falls, had very few residents at these early dates. Lieutenant Stephen Allis had come from East Guilford, Conn., to Shelburne, remaining there a short time, then purchased in 1788, from his father, Deacon Allis, a farm on the Buckland side of the river. This place is now owned by Herbert Smith. Lieutenant Allis served in the Revolutionary War and became a prominent man in town affairs.

He was one of the chief promoters in building the first bridge over the river at the falls. His sons, Rodolphus, Roswell and Samuel, farmed on his broad acres.

#### COLEMAN FAMILIES

A family named Coleman, related to the Allises, came from Coventry, Conn., and settled also for a few years in Shelburne, removing in 1785 to Buckland side. In 1794 Gershom Coleman built the old house now standing at the corner of Clemont and Sears Streets. In 1818 there were but three families in what is now the Buckland side at Shelburne Falls.

Nathaniel Coleman, probably a brother of Gershom, came

also from Coventry and doubtless lived in Shelburne at first as his name is found on the tax lists of the latter town for the years 1780-82-83. A grandson told William O. Taylor that he came from Connecticut to Buckland. If so, he must have been a non-resident tax payer in Shelburne. "Nathaniel Coleman was a Revolutionary soldier, serving six months in the company with Lieutenant Allis." W. O. Taylor further says:

There was a Nathan Coleman who was a voter in Buckland in 1806 and it seems altogether probable that Nathaniel and Gershom Coleman, as well as Nathan, were sons of Gershom and Mercy (Alles) Coleman, and also that the name of their mother Mercy Alles, may have been Allis, which suggests the origin of some, if not all, of the Buckland and Shelburne Allis families.

#### SAMUEL L. BARDWELL'S REMINISCENCES

There is an interesting article contained in an old scrap-book, written in March 1882, by Samuel L. Bardwell, then of Belle Plain, Iowa, telling about Buckland people as he recalled them in 1831, when he left his home in Leyden, with all his "baggage" tied in a "bandanna," and walked to Shelburne Falls. He said that his nearest neighbor for ten years was Deacon Silas Trowbridge, who lived at the 'Mill Yard.' "The whole number of dwellings on the Shelburne side of the village did not exceed twelve, including Martin and Colonel Asa Severances and Dan Townsley, Jr., on the Colonel Allis' place, afterward the Academy farm. On the Buckland side near the bridge lived Lieutenant Allis and his sons, Rodolphus, Roswell and Samuel. Oliver Coleman lived near the 'Beehive' [now so called on Clement Street], Dan Townsley, Sr., on the Ashfield road and I think there was an unoccupied house near the cutlery shops. There was at this time no minister, doctor or lawyer in the village."

#### WHERE PEOPLE LIVED

In Honorable Bushnell White's letter written from Cleveland and read at the Buckland Centennial, there is given a very good idea of the number of houses to be found along the highway from the bridge at the village to Buckland center. The old road used to pass through the quarry and over the hill by the late Dr.



Thompson place. He lists Oliver Coleman, Lieutenant and Samuel Ellis (Allis), then Eddys (about where the late Eben Ware place is located), next Captain Zebulon White's on the left. (This was the place now owned by George Patch.) Zebulon White came to Buckland in 1794 and was the first to make a cart wheel track in that part of the town. Then came a Thompson living about where the late H. B. Wells place is located. Just across Clesson's River, at the Mill Yard, was Mr. White's father's house, saw and grist mills. In an old book at the library mention is made of a Mr. White, "the first white man in Buckland."

On the right was Josiah Thompson's, Major Taylor's (now owned by Mitchell), where the first post-office was located, and Barney Wells', who owned and operated a saw mill. Then came the Silas Trowbridge place, now owned by Robert Stetson, and the brick school house of the North District, Number Two. Then we see Enos Taylor's home, now owned by Wilbur Scott.

Another crossing of Clesson's River and we come to Captain Wilder's—still the Wilder place where Edmund Wilder tills his ancestral acres. Then a Nathaniel Wilder (near the W. Barnes place). Across the bridge and up the meeting house hill there stood the old church on the left and the Graham place (now the Wayside Inn) on the right. Across the road stood the old brick school house and Mr. Hubbard's, the merchant (since known as the Trow place). Across the street Doctor Allen lived, where is now the summer home of O. W. Field. Just beyond was the Jabez Brooks home (now owned by Miss Martha Babbitt). Brooks was the blacksmith, whose shop stood where later was the Methodist church, and now the Buckland Library. Hubbard's store was where the Buckland center store has been located ever since 1829 and 1830 until within two years, when Mr. Gould moved his store into the house he now occupies. At this early period Rev. B. Clark lived there. On the right on an eminence stood Major Griswold's (still the Griswold homestead, called the Mary Lyon house), and just beyond lived Alpheus Brooks, supposed to have been the wealthiest man in town, where Willard Aste now resides.

#### PIONEER LIFE

If we look back one hundred and fifty years we would find here in Buckland the early settlers in their log cabins, for there

were very few frame houses before 1800. Then came a period of about fifty years when the colonial houses with their big brick ovens were built. In these brick ovens the fire was built every Saturday and when sufficiently heated, the ovens were swept clean with a birch broom. Herein rye and Indian bread was baked in quantity enough to last the large families a week. When the loaves were taken out on the long-handled slice, the pies were baked. Many times these were followed by a bushel of apples, these cooking with less heat. At the huge fireplace all the meals were prepared in kettles hanging from swinging cranes, or in a three-legged iron spider set into the coals. Tin roasters were often set in front of the coals, and, by turning the meat, did a good piece of work. A great variety of brass, copper and iron utensils were hung around the fireplace. Above from the beams, were suspended poles on which beef for drying was hung, as were also pumpkin rings, braided seed corn, and other food stuffs such as dried fruits.

About the fireplace could also be found, either standing or hanging, the brass or copper bed-warmer—warming-pan as we now know it—the tongs, slice, peel, gourds, bellows, tin candle-holders with tall reflectors, toasting irons, and ladles and skimmers of all lengths and sizes.

The corner cupboard was an ornament with its fine blue and luster ware or other quaint patterned crockery, and shining, bright pewter, with an occasional wooden dish of an earlier period. All this was the pride of the housewife.

For lighting, during the long winter evenings, first came pine knots placed in the big kitchen. Candles were used with a loosely-spun tow wicking before the use of the cotton wick. Candle rods were made either by being whittled out or from cattails on which wicking for a dozen candles was hung, then placed over the back of a slat backed chair, tipped down. These had to be dipped every few minutes, until the required size, in tallow which had been melted in the tin boiler. Later, tin candle-molds in sets of six or twelve, came into use and made candle-making a much easier and quicker process. Iron, brass, pewter and wooden candle-sticks were seen.

Before the time of candles, a piece of linen cloth in a bowl of fat or with a floating wick through a wooden button, served for lighting. A little later, a strip of fat pork with a sliver of wood



thrust through it to stiffen it and serve as a wick, was used. The kerosene lamp followed the whale-oil lamps and was introduced between 1846 and 1850 and was a very great convenience and improvement over the earlier cruder methods. Paper lamp-lighters, used before matches, may still be seen in some homes.

A bed of coals well covered with ashes was supposed to keep fire over night, but if the fire was lost, as was sometimes the case, a trip was made to the nearest neighbors for coals, unless a more independent household had their own tinder box.

In the old square colonial houses were the large "butteries" leading from the big kitchens. Here were racks where at first wooden troughs, later heavy brown pottery pans, and still later the tin pans of milk were set. From these the cream was skimmed and churned by hand and later made up into delicious, golden butter. In the summer cheeses were made in big tubs, coagulating the milk by adding calf's rennet. The product was then broken up into curds, scalded, salted, chopped, packed and greased daily all summer. These cheeses found a ready market if more were made than were needed by the large families.

In winter the butter made was put down in large jars with salt, for summer use. Meat curing was an art and when well done went far ahead of the meats cured and on sale in our present-day markets. Big earthen jars of salt pork, hams, pigs' knuckles, corned beef and sausage were in every cellar. Fresh meat was frozen and buried in snow where it kept well for months in the cold weather.

The big garret was Grandmother's apothecary shop. As she was both nurse and doctor, she took great care that the children gather, in the fall, bunches of herbs which were found in plentiful quantities. These were hung from the rafters and could be obtained at a moment's notice. Among these were pennyroyal, tansy, spearmint, peppermint, catnip, thoroughwort, motherwort, liverwort, lobelia, mullein, osier, anise, arnica, sage, and many others, found on the hillsides or grown in the gardens. This unwritten medical lore was passed on from one generation to another. The claim has always been made that the Indians gave the settlers much information concerning these herbs and their uses. These large garrets also contained boxes and barrels of rye, barley and oats. Later, about 1830, wheat and buckwheat added to the variety of flours used in baking. The corn, grown in large



quantities, was spread on the floor and taken to mill to be ground as occasion demanded. The shelling, which must be done winter evenings, was a slow task, as the cob was drawn across a knife driven into a board.

The earlier settlers used very few potatoes, the varieties before the "Carter" being hard to raise and yielding small returns. A little later large bins of them were stored in the cellar and came to be looked upon as a food that must be served at each meal.

Boiled cider applesauce was kept in kegs or half barrels out in the back buttery where it seldom thawed and was always included in the scanty menu.

Buckland people excelled in making superior maple sugar, the hard or sugar maple abounding and yielding quantities of sap in March. To the Indians we are indebted for the art of making maple sugar. Before the days of sugar-houses and evaporators, sap was gathered by hand with a sap yoke, stored in long troughs and boiled in the open, in a row of kettles on a pole. Sap buckets were unpainted and made smaller at the top. A rude spout made of bass wood, inserted into the tree, carried the sap into the buckets. Some of the syrup was boiled down and stirred for hard sugar. This was run into pails or cakes, tin bread pans being frequently used for molds. These cakes were stored, and growing hard with age, the sugar was shaved off for use in sweetening in cooking, and to use on the table. Maple syrup was often used in tea or coffee. Many households never had refined white sugar and sometimes substituted West India molasses. Wild honey found in the big hollow trees, added a pleasant variety.

Flax was grown by every family, a good sized garden plot producing the amount ordinarily needed for winter work. The seed was sown broadcast and harvested when the bolls were ripe. This was pulled and whipped to get the seeds, some of which were kept for planting the next season; the rest were used for linseed oil and flaxseed poultices. The flax was stacked and left some weeks for the shives to rot, then was put through the process of braking on the flax-brake. The next procedure was to swingle, hetchell and then hank. Then it was wound on the distaff and drawn out for spinning. After weaving it was bleached. Linen thus woven was of a very superior quality. All the cloth used for clothing, bedding and towelling must be made by hand from flax, as cotton at this period was unknown. Many choice

sheets, tablecloths and towels may still be found in the possession of our old families.

A goodly amount of fun was always thrown in with the work. The girls always had their stint of weaving, later braiding palm-leaf or sewing and knitting, that must be done daily. With the large families of from twelve to twenty, the children were numerous in every neighborhood and had their frolics of skating, coasting and swimming. A wrestling bout, held especially on town meeting and fast days, was expected as a matter of course. Instead of our base-ball, round-ball was played, the ball being made of yarn and thrown directly at the players to put them out while running. "Tag," "Whose got the Button," "Kitty-Corner," "Fox and Geese," as well as "Blind Man's Buff" and "Spin the Platter" were popular pastimes with both young and old, and in the bygone days as well as later, were entered into with great gusto.

Raisings, with plenty of rum and cider-brandy, and huskings held on the barn floors where quantities of corn were piled high to be husked, were of frequent occurrence. When the husking was finished, refreshments of sweet cider, pumpkin pie and doughnuts were served in abundance. The barn floor was cleared when the "fiddler" and "prompter" appeared and the Contra dance was enjoyed by all. Young people came from miles around to attend these merry occasions. "Bees" for apple paring and "quiltings" in the daytime with the men arriving for evening guests, when dancing and games were in order, helped to break the monotony of the long winters. Spelling matches and lyceums, held in the district school houses, were always popular, as well as educational, and were sure of a good attendance.

Usually each farmer had a small flock of sheep that helped in keeping brush out of the pastures. Even berry bushes and hardhack would help sustain sheep in the winter, while they always consumed the hay left by cattle and horses. In early May sheep were sheared and the fleeces to be saved for home use made as clean as possible by freeing from burrs and other foreign matter. There were "carders" whose business it was to card all the wool raised in the community. This done, then came the dyeing, spinning and weaving. For men's clothing, cloth was taken to the mill and fulled. The spinning was done on the "Big Wheel," still found in some of the old attics.

The well-to-do families kept geese in order that the feathers from the breast might be plucked twice each year. A stocking was pulled on over the goose's head to keep it from biting, the feathers plucked and dropped into a big vase-shaped basket, very small at the top and from the feathers, beds and pillows were made, a live goose feather bed being considered the best it was possible to have.

To us of the present, these old ways and days of our forefathers seem crude and hard, yet the recitals concerning them are stories which nearly everyone likes to read about and ponder, and these days were productive of men and women of sterling qualities of character, which one might wish were more often found in the present day and generation and that without too great reflection on the present. After all the "Use of history is to give value to the present hour and its duty."









## CHAPTER

# 5

### ALONG THE ROADS

*A curve in the road and a hillside  
Clear cut against the sky;  
A tall tree tossed by autumn wind,  
And a white cloud resting high.*

### HIGHWAYS

IN laying out the first roads it would appear that no thought was given to the avoidance of steep grades, many highways leading directly over the tops of the hills. Early settlers seemed convinced that a straight line was the shortest distance between two given points regardless of intervening conditions.

A photostatic copy of the map made by Samuel Taylor, from his survey, in December 1794, gives the town roads as laid out in Buckland at that time. The county road from Charlemont ran across the Deerfield River near Buckland station, then through the north part of the town where the first post-office was established, and over the hill back of the Robert Stetson place through the old road (west of the present one) in East Buckland. Then it took a direct line past the old Job Woodward Inn which was on the present John Murphy place and so on through Conway south to Northampton. This road was used more than the one from the Falls.

In Holland's *History of Western Massachusetts* we read: "The fourteenth Turnpike Corporation was chartered the eleventh of March 1802, to build a road from the west end of the Fifth turnpike in Greenfield, through that town, Shelburne, Buckland and Charlemont to the east terminus of the Second turnpike leading over Hoosac Mountain."



From the Greenfield Gazette and Courier of August 15, 1826, it is learned, "There being no county road which passes through Shelburne near the falls to Buckland, nor from Buckland to Hawley, a petition is made for a road to pass over the Deerfield River where there is a bridge above said falls and continue the same through Buckland to Ruddock's mills in the southwest part of said Buckland, from thence to continue said road up the west branch of Clesson's River, near Eldridge's mill in Hawley and on to Plainfield."

(Signed) "Joseph Longley and thirty others."

In December of the same year (1826), the county commissioners met and the town of Buckland was represented by two selectmen, Joseph Hubbard and Levi White and they approved the lay-out of this road. At this date, as Samuel Taylor's map of 1794 shows, the town road from the bridge above the Falls went directly over the hill by the late Zopher Woodward's place—where Herbert Smith now lives—to Merritt Ware's, then up the hill by the Rand Farm coming onto the present road by the late H. B. Wells place.

On May 9, 1827, a petition was received by the county commissioners, drawn and signed by Consider Scott and twenty-nine others from Charlemont, representing that the road from Charlemont to Shelburne was circuitous, very hilly and that a relocation was desirable. They therefore asked that a new road be laid out from a point in the present county road, near the dwelling house of Nicholas Groves in Charlemont, to cross the Deerfield River at a place called the "town plane," and from thence by the most direct course to the bridge near the Falls in Shelburne. The commissioners gave the matter favorable consideration and on September 5, 1827, awarded to Consider Scott a contract for the construction of the road and the building of a new bridge across the Deerfield. The cost of the work was to be \$1,050. It was stipulated that this road should connect with the new road leading to Buckland. It was to be one rod wide between the inside of the ditches on the sides thereof, with all necessary and sufficient water courses and railings. The bridge was to be of good, substantial materials and of the same width as the bridge at the Falls. This highway was accepted on December 16, 1828.

In March 1848, Asaph Fairbanks and others petitioned for a relocation of the town way between the houses of Horace Benton

and Alexis S. Coleman. This was granted, but at the Buckland town meeting the voters refused to confirm the said alteration.

In September 1853 a committee—Bartlett Ballard, Samuel Tobey and Alpheus Brooks—petitioned for specific alterations, widening, straightening and grading the highway through Buckland from Shelburne Falls to Hawley. This the county commissioners granted and awarded property damages of four hundred and seventy-two dollars and one hundred dollars for the expenses.

The road from Elijah Pulsifer's in Conway, running through Buckland to Shelburne Falls was considered unsafe as well as unnecessarily hilly; therefore at their December term, 1853, the commissioners accepted a relocation, with land damages of \$1,026 being awarded. The bridges thereon were ordered to be repaired by the towns of Conway and Buckland.

On March 3, 1860, Ansel Taylor and others asked that the road from the Baptist meeting house to the dwelling owned by Abijah Thayer and known as the Shepard House—which road was a part of one laid out by the selectmen of Buckland in October 1859—be accepted as a town way. This request was granted.

On December 19, 1861, Ebenezer Maynard and others sought repairs on the highway from Buckland center to Shelburne Falls and a relocation between Amasa Holbrook's and the crossing of the Troy and Greenfield railroad; also on a road leading to Scott's bridge. These changes and improvements were made.

On October 3, 1871, a petition of George D. Crittenden and others, for alterations and improvements in a highway running from the west end of the bridge at the Falls to a point at or near the intersection of Summer Street was granted and land damages of eight hundred dollars awarded.

During the past fourteen years, approximately \$189,000 has been spent on highways, which with bridges are in good condition. With trucks, tractors, snowplows and similar equipment, both town and state roads are kept in excellent order in the summer and cleared of snow in the winter. Since automobiles and trucks have taken the place of horses, no loads of wood can be drawn on sleds as in the olden days. In the streets of the village the roads are kept oiled where not hard surfaced. Buckland may well be proud of her highways.



### MOHAWK TRAIL

The Mohawk Trail, New England's most famous highway, was dedicated October 23, 1914, with fitting exercises at Whitcomb's Summit, within the township of Florida. About fifteen hundred people were assembled.

This trail is supposed to follow somewhat the old Mohawk Indian path from the Berkshires down into the Connecticut Valley. Strictly speaking it starts in Greenfield and ends at North Adams. For about one mile of its distance it passes through the town of Buckland. In 1929 a section of road was relocated, using a part of Creamery Avenue and then going up through the old Merrill quarry, to do away with the hazardous underpass on the old layout. This is a very fine piece of road and one in which the town takes a great pride.

### THE BUCKLAND-SHELBURNE FALLS BRIDGES

As the Deerfield River bounds Buckland on the east, at an early date responsibility devolved upon the town for the maintenance of ferries and bridges. Jonathan Wood who built the first saw mill at Shelburne Falls, constructed, at an unknown date but before 1789, a log bridge for the use of foot passengers, across the river just above the falls.

In 1779, the year that Buckland was incorporated, the two towns of Shelburne and Buckland voted to build a bridge above the falls, and work was begun. However this and like projects planned at other times later, failed of accomplishment.

In 1818 there were twelve houses on the Shelburne and three on the Buckland side of the river, and a record states that at that date a very crude boat was being used for crossings. This boat was about three feet wide, twenty feet long and hollowed out of a pine tree. As was the custom of the times when a person wished to cross the river, he would go to the water's edge, and if the boat was on the opposite shore, call, "Hello, the Boat!" It then became the duty of anyone who heard the call, no matter how busy he might be, to cross the river and get the passenger. In case there was a load of grist or other commodities to be taken over, the fords were used in summer, or a crossing made on the ice in winter. One ford was just north of the present bridge loca-



tion, and another used more by people coming from the center of the town, was just north of the marble shop. Signs of the old road may still be seen at this place. The road leading out on the west bank, came out by the recently burned tobacco barn of the late George G. Merrill.

From the County Commissioner's records we know that on March 7, 1820, William Wells and another, petitioned for a grant of money to erect a bridge over the Deerfield River at a place called the falls between Shelburne and Buckland. "March 6, 1821, ordered as on file." This same year, 1821, a Burr bridge was built by one Sheldon of Deerfield for which the foundation was put in by Captain Johnson, a stone mason from the east part of Buckland. Mr. Allis, a Buckland man, was the chief promoter of this project. By action taken at the annual town meeting on March 5, 1838, it was voted to prohibit all persons from riding or driving across the falls or Scott's bridges faster than a walk, under penalty of one dollar for each offense. This was in accordance with the usual custom of that day, and was taken as a precautionary safety measure. The sign warning against fast driving was usually to be seen at the entrance of the bridge.

This bridge at the falls did its duty faithfully until October 4, 1869, when it was swept down the river at about twelve o'clock noon, by the most terrible freshet this section has ever known. The middle span was the first to give way, followed by the east and then the west sides. The population of the two towns had grown so rapidly and easy connection of them had become so essential that a ferry was put in as soon as possible, to relieve the situation until another bridge could be built.

In November 1869, a bridge committee from the two towns decided to erect an iron structure of the type called "Herthel's Patent Parabolic Iron Truss Bridge," at a cost of fifty-eight dollars a foot. It was to be three hundred and sixty feet long. From the files of the Greenfield Gazette and Courier we get this information: "November 8, 1869. By actual measurement the new iron bridge will be 310 feet long. The new temporary one is exactly 360 feet and is a great accommodation to all. This temporary bridge was constructed in four days by O. F. Richardson, with the assistance of his Maine lumbermen, and local mechanics. The ferry boat is laid up for the present."

The ferry boat was to have but a short rest as is proven by

the next item. "December 26, 1869, Sunday night or early Monday morning the temporary bridge was carried out by ice, causing great inconvenience. Ferry boats now run again from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily."

On Friday, April first, 1870, the new iron bridge was finished, accepted by the committee and paid for. That evening there was a dedicatory supper at the Franklin House, Shelburne Falls. One of the builders, Mr. Hinman, was present, making some excellent remarks. As the ferry boat was no longer needed it was sold May 16, 1870, to James Stevens and removed to Zoar.

In less than three years after the completion of this iron bridge the connecting link between the two towns was again broken. On December 27, 1872, about 2.30 p.m., while two loads of ash plank, drawn by two pair of oxen, were being hauled from the east to the west side, the middle span of the bridge fell into the river. Neither drivers nor oxen were hurt, nor were the sleds badly broken, but John Slater, who was at the time walking over the bridge, fell, and was jammed down onto the ice by portions of the iron work falling upon him. He was badly but not fatally injured. The fallen span was one hundred and eleven feet long and thirty-two feet wide. This catastrophe again compelled people and teams to resort to crossing on the ice, but only for a short time did Dame Nature thus aid them, for on January 20, 1873, a new boat was plying between the two towns. On January 21, 1873, a local stone mason, the late George G. Merrill, threw a rope suspension bridge from the east to the west span, which proved very safe and serviceable. The following May twelfth the iron bridge was finished at a cost of \$25,000. As before, there was a fine for trotting across the bridge and many dollars were collected.

Until the year 1890 there seemed to be no more trouble, then the bridge was pronounced unsafe. At the April town meetings both Shelburne and Buckland voted to build a new bridge without further delay. The committees, David W. Temple of Shelburne, secretary, soon decided upon an iron, riveted, lattice bridge of three spans. The contract for plans and estimates was awarded to Engineer Edward S. Shaw of Boston. The estimated cost was \$18,000. On June 12, 1890, the bids were opened and the lowest one found to be for \$14,999, submitted by the St. Albans, Vt., Construction Company, to which the contract was awarded.



This company was represented by J. G. Norton, and they bought the old bridge for \$900, with the reservation of the iron railings to the side walk.

On the evening of November first, 1890, the old bridge was closed to the public about 8 p.m. The men worked all night on the west span and by 4 a.m. Sunday, had it in readiness for travel. Then the middle span was taken down. On the two succeeding week-ends the same method was employed on this and the east span, and thus the old bridge was kept open while the new one was being built. By December 13, 1890, the bridge was practically completed. It weighed over two hundred tons, the iron alone weighing one hundred and sixty-five tons. Because of the excellent manner in which the superintendent, William Stryker, controlled his men and did the work, the towns-people presented him with a diamond pin.

The bridge was accepted by the committee, December 13, 1890, and is still giving excellent service.

#### SCOTT'S BRIDGE

On May 9, 1827 a petition was received by the County Commissioners, from Consider Scott and twenty-nine others, representing the need of a relocation of the road from Charlemont to Shelburne Falls and passing through a section of Buckland, which road should cross the Deerfield River at a place known as the Town Plain, about a mile or perhaps a little more above the Shelburne Falls bridge.

Having given the matter favorable consideration, the commissioners awarded a contract on September 5, 1827 to Scott to build the road and a covered bridge as petitioned. This was "Also to connect the road aforesaid with the new road leading to Buckland." The contract price was \$1,050. This bridge and highway were accepted December 16, 1828, and did valiant service until, in 1913, the Commissioners gave an order for \$1,500 to meet the expense of a new bridge, said sum being the amount apportioned as Buckland's share of the cost of a new steel structure. This was henceforth to be maintained by the Commonwealth. With the passing of the old "Scott's Bridge," there vanished another of the old covered bridges which added so much in quaintness and charm to rural New England.



## THE BRIDGE OF FLOWERS

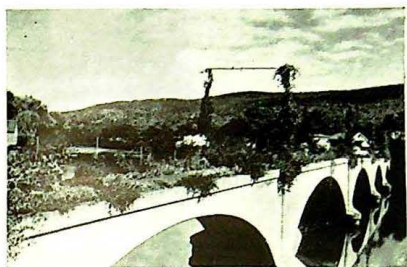
In 1908 the Shelburne Falls and Colrain Street Railway Company built a bridge across the Deerfield River just north of the highway bridge at the Falls, in order that the trolley might connect with the Shelburne Falls railroad station which is on Buckland territory. The contract was let to the Ley Construction Company of Springfield. This bridge is three hundred and ninety-eight feet in length, having four piers and five arches. At the time of its building it was claimed to be the longest concrete bridge east of the Ohio River.

As a trolley bridge, it was used until the street railway company gave up its charter. Then it became privately owned, and with the approaches was sold for \$1,250 to the Shelburne Falls Gravity Water Company, to make possible running the aqueduct over the river, the transfer taking place April 15, 1929.

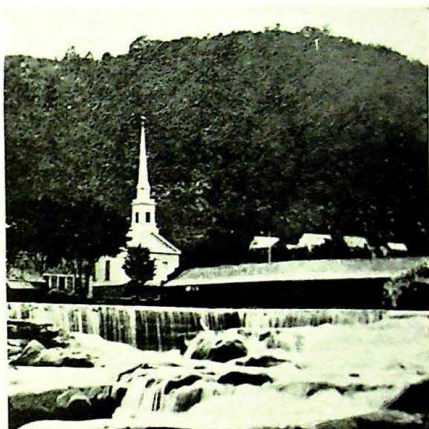
Walter Burnham of Shelburne displayed remarkable vision when he conceived the idea of converting this concrete structure into a bridge of flowers. The Woman's Club of Shelburne Falls, many of whose members live on the Buckland side, offered to sponsor the project and with the consent of the Gravity Water Company began the work at once. In the spring of 1929 many loads of loam were carried onto the bridge, and the people of the community were invited to contribute perennials, thus giving assurance of flowers that would blossom each year. The response was gratifying. A landscape gardener, working with the local committee, decided to use the north side for perennials and rose arbors, and the south for vines and annuals. A three foot walk through the center, edged with finely clipped turf, furnishes an opportunity to view the many lovely blossoms at close range. Strangers as well as local people stop to admire this unique bridge, the fame of which has been carried far and wide.

The approaches have been landscaped with settings of small evergreens. The architectural beauty of the arches combined with the reflection in the water beneath and the riot of coloring in the blossoms make a striking picture having for its background the winding Deerfield and the towering mountains.

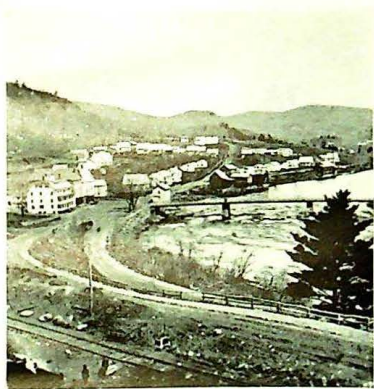
In the winter a very large community Christmas tree electrically lighted, is placed in the center of the bridge, and sheds



THE BRIDGE OF FLOWERS



THE FIRST BRIDGE—BUILT IN 1821



THE OLD IRON BRIDGE OF 1873



"SALMON FALLS"





its glow on the glistening white snow affording a winter scene of rare beauty.

### SMALLER BRIDGES

The town during the year 1933-34 replaced three wooden bridges over Clark's Brook in East Buckland, with substantial concrete ones. Now except for one or two wooden structures which will soon be discarded, all the bridges in town are of concrete or iron construction and in good condition.

### FORDS

The building of the Buckland-Shelburne bridge was a great convenience to the Buckland people, some of whom carried their "grist down under the hill" on the Shelburne side, where there was a saw-mill in a large building which also housed a grist mill. Prior to this time the people, in order to cross the river largely depended upon the fords. One of these was by the Taylor Fort in East Charlemont just opposite the Buckland station. This is still sometimes used. Another and probably the most used one as before noted was just north of the marble shop coming out on the Buckland side by the late George Merrill's tobacco barn. The third and most dangerous one was just north of the present bridge above the falls.

### THE POST RIDERS

One of the hardships of the early settlers was the lack of communication with the outside world. If a man of the settlement was to take a journey of any great distance, all who had friends or relatives along his route, sent letters by him, not knowing how many weeks or months might elapse before an answer could be received. Until 1792 there was no post-office nearer than Springfield. At that date one was established at Northampton, and in 1795 one in Greenfield.

The first post rider through Buckland was Andrew Wood, a great uncle of the late George D. Crittenden. He served from 1789 to 1791 and again from 1792 to 1799. On horse-back he carried the mail in saddle bags, from Greenfield through Shelburne, Buckland, Hawley, Ashfield and Conway. These old saddle bags

were preserved by Mr. Crittenden and are now to be seen in the rooms of the Pocumtuck Valley Memorial Association at Deerfield.

Another post rider, Calvin Blood, carried the mail over the same route from 1820 to 1825. On February 14, of the latter year, David Wait, Jr., of Greenfield, through the Greenfield Gazette and Courier, announced that he had contracted with the government to carry mail once a week from Greenfield, through Shelburne, Buckland, Hawley, Ashfield, Conway, Whately and Deerfield. This enabled people in these towns to receive their mail earlier and more directly than by the older contracts. In 1819 a post-office was established at Buckland; three years later one was opened at Shelburne Falls. The rates of postage on letters ranged from six and one quarter to twenty-five cents each, and the business for the first year amounted to less than twenty dollars.

In the year 1846, Clark Slate started a weekly paper route carrying the Greenfield Gazette and Courier through Shelburne Falls, Charlemont and Hawley on Mondays, remaining at the latter place through the night. On Tuesdays he went on through Buckland Four-Corners, Ashfield, and Conway. It fell to the lot of the small boys to rush out for the paper when the courier rang his bell. Mr. Slate, however, really needed no bell, for he had a voice of great volume, and often heralded his approach by shouting. People eagerly awaited the weekly bulletin of world news, especially during the anxious days of the Civil War. After nineteen years of service, Slate relinquished his work as post rider for the Gazette and Courier, and was succeeded on February 20, 1865, by Silas L. Atwood of Shelburne who undertook to distribute the papers and also to collect the subscriptions for the same.

Through the Gazette columns in 1861, bids were asked for, relative to carrying mails from Shelburne Falls by Buckland and Hawley to Plainfield, sixteen miles and back, twice a week—to leave Shelburne Falls Tuesdays and Saturdays at 1 p.m., arrive at Plainfield by 7 p.m., and to leave Plainfield at 6 a.m. There is nothing found to show who was the successful bidder. On May 17, 1886, the Plainfield stage route was closed to Buck-

land, the new route going through East Hawley and Charle-  
mont.

### STAGE ROUTES

While all these post riders were busy carrying the mails and papers, stage routes had been established and the first to reach Buckland started from Northampton. Goods were brought from Boston by ox-cart, being transported as far as Albany with stops at intermediate stations. Later, commodities were hauled by four horse teams. The first barrel of wheat flour in town came in this way from Albany or Troy, John Porter exchanging Buckland chestnuts for it.

May 26, 1862, Deacon S. S. Smead ran an express from Greenfield through Buckland and a part of Conway and Whately. This he carried on in connection with his work as post rider. He advertised also to carry passengers. This business he sold the following October 6th, to Timothy Packard and Son. They carried on the route for three years, selling August 28, 1865 to Ira M. Hitchcock of Conway. The latter sold in July 1866 to Elliot Whitney.

The completion of the "Troy and Greenfield" railroad through Shelburne Falls saw the end of the mail and express routes from Greenfield west. A stage route was soon opened between Shelburne Falls, Buckland and Ashfield. John Wilde and Asa Sander-  
son ran the route until 1874 when an Ashfield man, William Demming, took it over, making two trips daily, and also carrying the passengers. Mr. Demming was a most faithful servant of the people for nearly thirty years. Being a very witty man and a natural story-teller, all passengers were highly entertained while traveling the nine miles in a three-seated, horse-drawn vehicle. Buckland people were greatly disturbed, when, in 1892, another man received the appointment, and over a hundred people signed a paper saying that they would back Mr. Demming if he would start an independent route for passengers, and this he eventually did.

The stage drivers since Mr. Demming's long term have all lived in Ashfield and have been:

Chester Guilford, from about 1906 to 1910; Frank Pike, about 1910 to 1917; Fred Johnson, 1917 to 1921; Ray Stockwell, 1921



to 1925; Fred Johnson, 1925 to 1929; and since then Addison Graves.

A commodious, closed automobile truck carries the mail to the Buckland center and Ashfield post-offices, delivering mail to people along the line of travel, and is called the "Star Route." Through City Delivery, Rural Free Delivery and the Star Route, approximately sixty-five per cent of the inhabitants of Buckland have their mail delivered once or twice daily, through the central Shelburne Falls office. Residents on Ashfield Street beyond Robert March's home, receive their mail from the general delivery, or box rentals at the Shelburne Falls post-office.

### THE BUCKLAND POST-OFFICE

The first post-office in Buckland was established August 4, 1819 with George Mayhew as first postmaster. The post-office was located in the store of Henry Taylor at the Mill Yard in the north part of the town. This house is now occupied by Morris Mitchell. In the upper story of this building is a hall where the Buckland Militia drilled, and a part of the old hall is just as it was when so used. The ceiling is arched and plastered. The main supports of the arch were timbers, hand hewn from trees which were naturally curved. Around the sides is a wainscoting about four feet high. Rude benches made of hand planed boards and forged nails are left just as they were last used by the militia when they sat around the walls of the room.

At an early period, this district had much more in the way of business activity than the center and it was also on the county road to Northampton, the County seat. Later, as Buckland center became the heart of the town, the post-office was moved into Joseph Hubbard's store and Mr. Hubbard was the second postmaster. That office has since been held by N. G. Trow, Ebenezer Maynard, Josiah Trow, Samuel Townsley, Henry Maynard, A. W. Ward, W. B. Caswell, John Porter, Samuel B. Taylor, Jonathan Temple, L. A. Bradford, E. C. Bradford and H. L. Gould, the present incumbent. According to Mr. Charles Wilder, the post-office was located on the lower street in Buckland center for a short time, probably when W. B. Caswell was postmaster.

## INNS

## THE FIRST INN

The first inn at Buckland center was located on the place now owned by Charles Trow. According to W. O. Taylor's records, Samuel Taylor, Jr., or his father, probably built this house before 1800. This Inn was on the route west through Buckland, Plainfield and Savoy, and was popular in the early days for the route on which it was located afforded a less steep, if longer, way over the Hoosac Mountain than did the one through Charlemont. Here Samuel Taylor, Jr., conducted the business until 1814, when he sold to Joseph Hubbard and went back to his father's home to live.

Joseph Hubbard had an inn-holder's license and also kept a store here, until 1821, when he apparently sold the property, continuing thereafter in the retailer's business.

## ZENAS GRAHAM'S INN

About 1797 Zenas Graham built an inn where Mrs. S. B. Taylor, a granddaughter, recently lived. Records show that in 1822 he was a licensed proprietor. This property has always remained in the family, daughters in each successive generation bringing their husbands there to live, namely: Samuel Perkins, S. B. Taylor, and the present incumbent, E. R. Scott. In 1829 a part of this house was remodeled into "Graham Hall" and it was here that Mary Lyon kept her school in 1829 and 1830.

## JOB WOODWARD'S INN

Another inn located in the southeast part of the town, was on the old county road long since discontinued. This road as shown on Samuel Taylor's map of 1794, came from Albany, through Charlemont, crossing the river at the ford near Buckland station and thence on through Buckland as described under highways. An old barn still marks the spot where this popular inn once stood. A large hall in the second story of the building was much in demand for dances. The late Job Woodward, grandfather of Mrs. Lizzie Wood and Mrs. Anna Page, reared a large family here and always made comfortable both man and beast who

chose to stop for a night's lodging. It is hard to realize that over these hilly, rough roads of yore, stage coaches with merry passengers and four horse "Hitches," made two trips weekly.

#### THE FREIGHTER'S INN

After the building of Scott's bridge in 1827-8, the stage route west was changed and passed over the Merritt Ware place. Here was a "Freighter's Inn." Long sheds were kept in which to house the many ox-teams which were exclusively used at this period for hauling freight from Boston to Albany. Probably the only people stopping at this inn, unless in cases of emergency, were the drivers.

#### THE FRANKLIN HOUSE

About 1854 the old rakemaker's two story building which stood where the Odd Fellows building at the Falls now stands, was converted into an hotel, and an addition built to the north. This was known as the Franklin House, and was kept by Ambrose Kelley until 1860. Then "Uncle" Charles Smedley was proprietor. He was succeeded by Ariel Woodward. At the death of the latter, Abner Woodward bought the business, remodeled the house at an expense of nearly \$7,000, did a flourishing business for a time and then sold to Philip Woodward. In 1876 this place was burned in the great fire, and after settlements were made, Woodward bought the Clement House, now known as the Methodist parsonage, and converted it into an hotel. After his death the hotel was managed by his widow and son Leon, until November 1903, when it was closed to the public. This old hotel was an important factor in serving the public for many years and was a popular inn.

#### THE SHELBURNE FALLS HOUSE

In 1861 J. B. Davenport opened a hotel on the Buckland side of the river at Shelburne Falls. This was called the Shelburne Falls House. Nothing more has been found concerning it and its life as a public house may have been a short one.



## THE MARY LYON INN

The Mary Lyon Inn at Buckland center was opened to the public by its owners, Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Griswold, in May 1927. Because of its pleasant location, fine appointments and historical associations it has proven a most popular place.

## LICENSED INN-HOLDERS

Here follows a list of licensed Inn-holders in Buckland, and of those who were licensed to sell liquors as retailers:

INN-HOLDERS	RETAILERS
August 1812. Samuel Taylor, Jr. Henry Taylor.	Henry Taylor, Rufus Trowbridge, Joseph Hubbard, Jabez Brooks.
For the year 1813 the same.	
March, 1814. Joseph Hubbard.	
August, 1814. Joseph Hubbard. Henry Taylor.	Robert Lazell, Alfred Jones.
August, 1815. Joseph Hubbard.	Joseph Hubbard, Alfred Jones, Alpheus Brooks.
August, 1816. Joseph Hubbard. Henry Taylor.	Joseph Hubbard, Alfred Jones.
August, 1817. Joseph Hubbard.	Joseph Hubbard, Alfred Jones, Henry Taylor.
August, 1818. Joseph Hubbard. Henry Taylor.	Joseph Hubbard, Rufus Trowbridge, Alfred Jones.
November, 1819. Joseph Hubbard.	Rufus Trowbridge, Thomas Longley & Co., Alfred Jones, Joseph Hubbard, Henry Taylor.
September, 1820. Joseph Hubbard.	Ezra Wood, Alfred Jones, Joseph Hubbard.
September, 1821. Joseph Hubbard.	Ezra Wood, Joseph Hubbard.
March, 1822.	Zenas Graham.

September, 1822. Zenas Graham. Henry Taylor.	Ozias Wells, Ezra Wood.
September, 1823. Zenas Graham. Henry Taylor.	Ezra Wood.
September, 1824. _____.	Amos and Kimball Batchelor. Joseph Hubbard & Co.
September, 1825. Zenas Graham.	Hubbard & Co. Batchellor & Childs.
September, 1826. Zenas Graham.	Joseph Hubbard & Co., Samuel W. Hall.
September, 1827. Zenas Graham.	Hubbard & Hitchcock, George Mayhew.
September, 1829. Henry Taylor.	
September, 1830. Ebenezer Maynard.	Ebenezer Maynard, Zur Hitchcock.
September, 1831. Ebenezer Maynard.	Ebenezer Maynard.
September, 1832. _____.	Dennis Childs.
September, 1833. _____.	Dennis Childs, Ebenezer Maynard.
September, 1834. No licenses.	
September, 1835. Elisha Smith. William Patch, Jr.	
September, 1836 and 7. Elisha Smith.	

None recorded until 1842.

1842 Isaac C. Gould inn keeper without license to sell ardent spirits.

None recorded until

October 10, 1854. Ambrose Kelley, inn-holder and common victualler, at his house on Buckland side, Shelburne Falls; no sale of intoxicating liquor.

April 7, 1858, Ambrose Kelley, licensed as above for one year, renewed for 1859.

April 2, 1867, Ariel Woodward licensed to keep Franklin House; renewed March, 1868.

In March, 1868 there were licensed as common victuallers, Christian Alder on Clement Street.

John Haller on old Conway Street.  
Allen Wragg on Oak Street.

## CEMETERIES

### THE OLD CEMETERY

The first cemetery in Buckland was located east of the Congregational church. The site of this was included in that land given by Samuel Taylor to the inhabitants of Buckland, together with land for the common and school-house. While the deed was given May 6, 1799, the plot had been used for burial purposes, and a school-house built a number of years earlier. Reverend James Taylor died in July 1785 and was the first adult to be buried here, and here also Samuel Taylor had buried two of his children in 1777. The oldest section is toward the southwest. The land back of the Grange hall was bought on February 8, 1893, by the Buckland Union Cemetery Association, of F. W. Trow, and is called Cemetery Number Three.

### SECOND CEMETERY

The second cemetery in point of age, is located in L. L. Purinton's pasture in East Buckland. People express surprise that such a place should have been selected, but at that time the old County road went directly past the then newly laid out cemetery. As the years rolled by, the locations of the roads were changed to accommodate many people and to avoid steep grades, thus leaving this old cemetery neglected and forgotten in a pasture. Many of the graves were never marked with any but field stones. The oldest date to be found is 1804. A very conservative estimate of the number of burials in this plot is from eighty-five to one hundred. The last burial took place in 1876 when Rachel (Woodward) Chapin was interred. At this time she was living on the farm of which this burial ground forms a part.

A suggestion is made that some time in the not far distant future, either the town or the Union Cemetery Association should have this yard enclosed with a stone wall sufficiently high to prevent the trespass of nearby, grazing cattle, and a substantial gate placed. With a mowing once a year the Buck-



land people could then feel that the place was cared for suitably, and thus pay a passing tribute to the forefathers of many of them.

#### UPPER CITY CEMETERY

A small burying ground in the Upper City is located on an old road to Apple Valley. By a deed in the possession of Halbert Dodge—who also has the plan and record of burials—it is evident that in 1841 thirty square rods of land were purchased from Asa Davis, for the sum of ten dollars. This was deeded to those who held the lots, i.e.: L. Wight, Elijah Phillips, Abel Parker, Merritt Smith, Alvah Ruddock, Seth Leonard, Silas Dodge, Forrest Cranson and John Tobey. It is the smallest cemetery in town, there being about fifty interments there. Some five years ago the Buckland Union Cemetery Association assumed the care of the yard, they receiving the fund which had been raised among the descendants of the original owners. As the interest accumulates it is to be expended in the upkeep of the grounds.

#### EAST BUCKLAND CEMETERY

In the year 1849, the people in East Buckland chose Levi Sprague, Job Woodward and Richmond Mallory as a committee to buy land for a neighborhood Cemetery. To these gentlemen as agents, Oswin Johnson sold, for ten dollars, forty square rods of land just north of the bridge at the foot of Johnson's hill. The association then formed was incorporated and the cemetery has been kept in a very good condition.

#### PRIVATE YARDS

In the woods near the cellar hole which marks the site of the old Alfred Woodward place, and about a half mile north of the cemetery, are six graves marked by unlettered field stones. Here are buried Daniel Woodward and his wife Mercy, their daughter Mercy, and three granddaughters, Olive, Elizabeth and Lucy Woodward.

There are three other places in the woods on either side of the East Buckland road where there are graves, unmarked save for unlettered field stones, and it is not known who may be buried there. It has been said but not proven, that there may be some members of the Williams family here buried.

## BUCKLAND CENTER CEMETERY

November 7, 1850 a meeting of Buckland people interested in securing a place for the burial of their dead, was called. Deacon John Porter was moderator and G. K. Ward, clerk. Franklin Ballard, Ephraim Williams and Elmer Frost were appointed a committee to secure a suitable site. Acting upon their report, the purchasing committee, Deacon John Porter, William Putnam and Alfred Perkins bought of Samuel Taylor, Jr., one acre of land north of the Baptist meeting house, on the east side of which there was secured also a twelve foot right of way from the town road to the yard. Here has been developed a very pretty plot.

## THE BUCKLAND UNION CEMETERY ASSOCIATION

The Buckland Union Cemetery Association was incorporated January 8, 1851, the committee securing this action being John Porter, Roswell Taylor, Lemuel Smith, Franklin Ballard, Newton Griswold and William Caswell. This association has charge of the two cemeteries at the center and the one at Buckland Upper City. The officers are:

President, Preston Warfield; clerk, Charles Trow; treasurer, P. Bronson; directors, H. E. Ward, Halbert Dodge, Preston Warfield.

The inhabitants of Buckland living at Shelburne Falls use the Arms Cemetery left by Ira Arms for the inhabitants of Shelburne Falls.

In the early years of the nineteenth century there were no undertakers and friends and neighbors volunteered their services in caring for the dead. A town hearse was kept underneath a part of the church at the center. This could be used by anyone free of charge.

Coffins were made by Major Griswold for a number of years. Extracts from his account books verify the statements that coffins seldom exceeded three dollars in price and often they brought only a dollar and a half, while for children charges for seventy-five cents appear. All this meant that they were of the plainest possible type. The prices of Major Griswold were those everywhere prevailing, unless in the largest places, at this period.



## CHAPTER

# 6

### REVOLUTIONARY HISTORY

*Backwood look with me through sire and grandsire  
Unto a house of square, hewn logs, set in an upland clearing;  
Hedged round by mighty forests where the  
Indian's footsteps lingered still—  
While he on whom the line was founded,  
But just returned from battlefields and victories,  
Lays up his soldier's musket on the rack  
Above the wide mouthed fireplace,  
And at rest, in this, his peaceful home—  
His faithful friend and comrade near—  
Recounts to listening sons and daughters,  
The story of Our Country's hard won freedom.*

**F**ACTS relative to the town's part in the Revolutionary War are very meager. Then too, when the town was incorporated in 1779 the first three years of that struggle had already become history, and Buckland up to this time being a part of Charlemont, had sent the men from her present territory to Charlemont to enlist in the company formed there, and they gave their residences, rightfully, as Charlemont. Hence their service is credited to that town. A few names have been gathered of those who enlisted after the incorporation, and from various sources the names of more who lived in Buckland after the close of the war, and who enlisted from other sections.

It has been found that in 1780 by order of the authorities at Boston, Buckland was to provide or procure six hundred and eighty-eight pounds of beef for the use of the Continental Army, and the next year the amount assigned for the same purpose



was six hundred and fourteen pounds weight. In 1780 the town was also called upon to furnish two men for field service.

From the military records of Barnard (or Barnabas) McNitt and John Thompson, it is learned that in 1781 the selectmen of Buckland hired men to serve in Buckland's assigned quota for 1781 agreeable to a resolve dated December 2, 1780. This shows that Buckland was doing its part, meeting as best it could the requests of the government. Had the records been preserved, without doubt there would have been more information along these lines.

In the Probate office in Greenfield is found in a little volume of Pension records, "Common pleas and Probate, 1832." The extracts given from this seem in a few instances to supplement the records of these men contained in the *Massachusetts Soldiers and Sailors of the Revolution*. As the lives of most of them were more or less intimately connected with Buckland History, and also because these were personal statements, the items relative to Buckland pensioners are given.

#### PENSIONERS

Japhet Chapin, age 69 years. \$30.00.

1777. Six months under Capt. Morgan,—Col. Mason—Springfield.

1777. Two months under Capt. Stebbins.—Boston and Dorchester.

1778. One month under Capt. Keep.—Great Barrington, Albany, King's Barracks.

Asa Nichols, age 70 years. \$26.66.

1777. Two months waiter to Lt. Nichols, Saratoga.

1779. Six months—Capt. Joshua Woodbridge,—Col. Tyler—Rhode Island.

Josiah Davis, age 75 years. \$486.66.

1775, eight months under Capt. Jona. Bardwell,—Col. Daniel Brewer.

1776. Five months under Capt. Morgan,—Col. Woodbridge.

1777. One year under Capt. Danforth, Capt. Crawford, Capt. Barns and Capt. Bannister in the (Furnass?) at Hardwick. Northward in a skirmish with the Indians on Hudson River—Stillwater and at the south under the immediate command of Washington. Three aff. and a discharge.

Josiah Pierce, age 81. \$27.44.

1775. Eight months under Capt. Hugh Maxwell,—Col. William Prescott.—Bunker Hill, afterward at Fort No. 1, Sewall's Point, Brookline.

One aff.

Edward Forbes, age 76 years, a pensioner under 1818. (Act of) \$488.

Twenty months was a drummer in Col. Joseph Reed's regiment. Four months was a drummer in Col. James Wesson's regt. For proof reference is made to his former declaration.

Samuel Brackett, age 75 years, enlisted at Upton, \$76.10.

1775. One week under Capt. Saddler's Minute Men. Roxbury.

1775. Eight months, Capt. Amos Batchelder, Col. Joseph Reed, Roxbury.

1776. Three months, Capt. Baldwin, Col. not remembered, Dorchester Hill.

1777. Three months, Capt. Martin, Col. Tyler's, Providence, R. I.

1777. Three months, Capt. Penniman, Col. Cushing. Bennington, Pawlet, Ticonderoga, Saratoga, at surrender of Burgoyne.

1778. Six weeks under Capt. Thomas Baker, Col. Haws regt. Rhode Island, Sullivan's Expedition.

1778. Three months under Capt. Craggin, Col. Sproat, Rhode Island.

1780. Three months under Capt. Benjamin Reed, Col. Wheelock's regt., Fishkill, to guard. He states one month more after the first three months, but it appears that his father performed the service as his substitute.

Jesse Pratt, age 71 years, enlisted Foxboro. \$23.33.

1777. Two months under Capt. Wilder, Col. not remembered, Dorchester Hill.

1777. Three months as substitute for his brother Isaac, under Capt. White, Col. not remembered, served same place.

1778. Two months under Capt. Putnam, Col. Wade's regt. North Kingston, R. I.

Service proved by one witness, no allegation that he can't produce more or has not documentary.

No certificate of clergyman.

No answer to interrogations.

Jacob Whiting, age 70, enlisted Shrewsbury. \$20.00.

July 1, 1778. Six months under Capt. Fisher—transferred to Capt. Belknap,—Col. Wade's regt. Providence. Tiverton, R. I. No evidence and knows none. No answer to 2.

Rev. Benjamin F. Clarke.  
Enos Taylor.

Dan Townsley, age 69 years. Pensioner under 1818. \$80.00.  
1781. Three years under Capt. John V. Blanchard, Col.  
Henry Johnson. Discharged at West Point.

Edward Porter, age 84 years, enlisted Ware. \$26.66.  
1777. 24 weeks under Capt. Hooker, Col. Pomeroy's regt.  
Peekskill, N. Y., Morristown, N. J.

1777. 4 weeks under Capt. Brackenridge. Bennington—  
Manchester.

1776. 4 weeks, same \_\_\_\_\_ four weeks. No  
evidence, says he knows of none.

Rev. Jona Grout }  
Edmund Longley } Hawley.  
Amos Wood, Buckland.

Benjamin Shaw, age 74 years, enlisted Middleboro, \$61.67.  
1776. Six months under Capt. Turner.

1777—8 months under Capt. Benton,—Col. Rufus Put-  
nam's regt. Cambridge, Worcester, Great Barrington,  
Albany, Ft. Edward, Stillwater, Bemis Heights.

1778—Three months, Capt. Joshua White — Rhode  
Island.

Rev<sup>d</sup>. Benj. F. Clarke No evidence, says he has none.  
Ziba Leonard.

Amos Wood.

Amos Wood, age 74 years, enlisted Upton, \$60.82.

1775. Two weeks, under Capt. Ezra Woods—at Cambridge  
as a drummer.

1775. Eight months, drummer, Capt. David Batchelder,—  
Col. Joseph Reed—Roxbury.

1776. Six weeks, drum major; Capt. Benjamin Farrar—  
Col. Nathan Tyler.

1777. Three months, drum major; Capt. Craggin, Col.  
Sproat; Newton, R. I.

1780. Three months substitute; Capt. Lamb—Warwick,  
R. I. Corporal.

1780. Four weeks. Capt. Thomas Baker,—Col. Tyler,  
Tiverton, R. I.

1778. Three weeks, drummer; Capt. Martin, Col. Tyler.  
All the service not proven. No allegation that more  
evidence cannot be had. No clergyman &c.

Joshua Wheldon, age 75 years, enlisted Ashfield. \$43.89.

1776. Three months under Capt. Samuel Taylor, Col.  
Nicholas Dyke's regt. Roxbury, Dorchester Heights.

1776. Three months under Capt. Benjamin Phillips at  
Ticonderoga guarding the fort.



1777. Five weeks same—Col. Woodbridge's regt. Moses Creek, Stillwater.
1777. Two months Capt. Cramon, Col. Wells. Tulls M., Fort Edward.
1779. One month. Lieut. Johnson, Col. Israel Chapin. G. B. to Albany.
1780. Three months, Capt. Newton, Col. Seth Murray's regt. Fishkill, W. P.
- Benjamin F. Clark.
- Nathaniel Sherwin. Services proved generally by one witness—No allegation that more cannot be found. Ans. to five interrogations not full.
- Elijah Smith, age 87 years, enlisted Montague. \$30.78.
1775. Eight months, Capt. Robert Oliver, Col. Doolittle's regt. Cambridge, Battle Bunker Hill.
1775. Five weeks, Capt. Benjamin Phillips, Col. not remembered.
- Rev<sup>d</sup>. Benjamin F. Clarke. Moses Creek, Stillwater.
- Joseph Griswold Esq. Knows no evidence.
- Joseph Chilson, age 81 years, enlisted Smithfield, R. I. \$52.78.
- May, 1775. Three days under Capt. Angel, Pautucket Bridge.
- Nov. 1775. Two months under Capt. Angel, Col. Bowing. Providence, Warwick, R. I., guarding shores.
- Feb. 1776. One month same, same Warwick, R. I., guarding shore.
- Sept. 1776. Two months same, same Warwick, R. I., guarding shore.
- Nov. 1776. One and one quarter months same Providence, guarding shore.
- Feb. 1777. Two months, Capt. John Angel — Warren, guarding shore.
- Oct. 1777. One month, Capt. John Angel, Col. not remembered, Bristol.
- April, 1778, One half month, Capt. Ebe'r Jenks, Col. Atwell, Providence, guarding stores.
- Sept. 1778. One month, Capt. Benjamin Ballou, Col. Atwell, NewPort, guarding the Island.
- Dec. 1778, One month, Capt. Benjamin Ballou, Col. not remembered, Tiverton, guarding the coast.
- Sept., 1779. One half month, Capt. Ebenz. Jenks, Col. Atwell, Tiverton, guarding the coast.
- Aug. 1780. One month, Capt. Madison, New Port.
- Aug. 1781, Capt. Benjamin Ballou, Col. not remembered, New Port.
- Oct. 1781, One half month, Lieut. Bennett, Col. Madison, New Port.

Rev. B. F. Clarke } Has no evidence.  
 Joseph Griswold Esq. }  
 Enos Smith, age 83 years, enlisted Ashfield. \$51.83.  
 Sept., 1776. Two months, Capt. McClellan, Col. Moseley,  
 W. Plains.  
 July, 1777. Six weeks, Capt. Benjamin Phillips, Col.  
 Porter, Saratoga.  
 July, 1778. Eight weeks, Capt. Slarrow, Ezra Wood. W.  
 Plains. No clergyman. Two affidavits.  
 Stephen Allis, Buckland, age 75, enlisted Shelburne, \$28.00.  
 July 1776, Five months, Capt. Timothy Childs Co. Col.  
 R. Woodbridge regt. No. 4., Rutland, Skeensb. Ticon-  
 deroga.  
 Feb. 1777, Two months, Capt. Lawrence Kemp, Col.  
 David Wells, Bennington, Shaftsbury, Skeensb., Ticon-  
 deroga.  
 July 1779, Six months, Capt. James Walworth, Col. Porter,  
 New London, guarding coast.  
 Rev. Benjamin F. Clarke.  
 Martin Severance.

In the above lists, the amount received was a lump sum, not an annuity.

Levi White was another pensioner here. In 1840 the names of Joseph Shepard and William Hubbard were included in the Buckland Pension roll.

#### SOLDIERS

In 1881 Graham K. Ward gave this list of men, Revolutionary soldiers, whom he knew to have been buried in Buckland, and thought that there were many others unknown to him, as research has proved to be the case.

John Ballard	Samuel Benedict	Peter Butler
Edward Forbes	Ziba Leonard	Asa Nichols
Jesse Pratt	Edward Rawson	Benjamin Shaw
Joseph Tilton	John Ward	Levi White

The Greenfield Gazette and Courier files add the name of Timothy Warren, a Revolutionary Pensioner who died at Buckland, May 16, 1851, aged 91 years.

Dr. Silas Holbrook was also one who served, and who lived here for a few years. He enlisted as a surgeon.

Kerley Ward was a pensioner who died here in 1835.

## Others found are:

John Bullard	Nathan Lyon
Benjamin Brackett	Oliver May
Nathan Brackett	Lt. William Putnam
James Butler	Benjamin Sprague
Elias Carter	Enos Taylor
Elisha Carter	Lemuel Taylor
Nathaniel Coleman	Othniel Taylor
Nehemiah Hathaway	Samuel Taylor
Ephraim Jennings	Tertius Taylor
David Johnson	Stephen Tyler
Josiah Johnson	Nathaniel White
James Lackey	Gardner Wilder
Aaron Lyon	

## REVOLUTIONARY RECORDS

For the Revolutionary records of these men not positively given as enlisting from Buckland, the reader is referred to the usual sources of such authoritative information. The following indicate Buckland positively:

Carter, Elijah, Charlemont (also given Buckland). Return of men enlisted into Continental Army from Capt. Samuel Taylor's (5th) Co., 5th Hampshire Co. regt. year not given; residence Charlemont; enlisted for the town of Charlemont, joined Capt. Warner's co., Col. Marshall's regt.; enlistment three years; *also*, Private, 3rd co., Col. Thomas Marshall's (10th) regt.; Continental Army pay account for service from Feb. 13, 1777, to Dec. 31, 1779; *also*, Capt. William Warner's (6th) Co., Col. Marshall's regt.; return for clothing drawn from the year 1778; reported discharged; *also*, same co. and regt.; muster rolls for Jan. and Apr., 1779, dated West Point; enlisted Feb. 18, 1779; *also*, Capt. Park's co., Col. Marshall's regt.; Continental Army pay accounts for service from Jan. 1, 1780 to Feb. 18, 1780; reported discharged Feb. 18, 1780.

McNitt, Barnard (also given Barnabas). Account dated Buckland, March 12, 1781, rendered by the selectmen of bounties paid said McNitt and John Thompson to serve in the Continental Army, agreeable to a resolve of Dec. 2, 1780; *also*, descriptive list of men raised in Hampshire Co., to serve in the Continental Army, as returned by Noah Goodman, Superintendent; age, 21 years; stature, 5 ft., 8 in., complexion, dark; hair, dark; occupation, farmer; engaged for town of Buckland; engaged Jan. 15, 1781; term 3 years;



*also*, Private, Col. Benjamin Tupper's (10th) regt; service from Jan. 9, 1781, 23 mos., 23 days.

Taylor, Lemuel, of Charlemont (now Buckland). Private in Capt. Sylvanus Rice's co. of militia which marched Apr. 22, 1775 in response to the Alarm of Apr. 19, 1775; returned home Apr. 24, 1775; service, three and one half days; *also*, Sergeant, Capt. Nahum Ward's co., Col. David Wells regt. (Hampshire Co.); engaged Sept. 22, 1777; discharged Oct. 18, 1777; service one month at the time of taking General Burgoyne's co., marched from Charlemont, Sept. 22, 1777.

Taylor, Samuel, Charlemont (also given Buckland) Captain, 5th co., Col. David Field's (5th Hampshire Co.) regt. of Mass. militia; list of officers chosen agreeable to order of Council of Feb. 14, 1776; dated Deerfield, Apr. 22, 1776; ordered in Council, May 3, 1776 that said officers be commissioned; reported commissioned; reported commissioned May 3, 1776; *also*, communication dated Brimfield, Aug. 28, 1776, signed by Timothy Danielson, Brigadier, stating that he had drafted every twenty-fifth man bourne on the train band and alarm lists in the 5th and 6th regiments. of his brigade, and had formed them into a company which he had ordered to march to Dorchester Heights, having appointed said Taylor Captain of said company; *also*, Capt. Col. Nicholas Dike's regt.; pay abstract for mileage, dated Roxbury, Sept. 17, 1776; mileage for 125 miles allowed for Taylor; *also*, Capt.; return of co. officers of Col. Dike's regt, showing no. of men present under them and also those not joined, dated Dorchester, Sept. 21, 1776, and endorsed Officers to be commissioned; company probably joined from Brig. Danielson's brigade.; *also*, Return of officers who marched to camp to join Col. Dike's regt., dated Dorchester, Sept. 27, 1776.

Thompson, John. Descriptive list of men raised in Hampshire Co., to serve in the Continental Army as returned by Noah Goodman, superintendent; age 16 years; stature, 5 ft., 1 inch; complexion light; hair light; occupation, farmer; engaged for town of Buckland; engaged Jan. 15, 1781; term three years; *also*, private, Col. Benjamin Tupper's (10th) regt.; service from Jan. 15, 1781 23 mos, 15 days.

#### JOSIAH PIERCE

Concerning Josiah Pierce who died in Buckland it is said that he was in the Battle of Bunker Hill. When the Americans were ordered to retreat, he stood alone, loading and firing in the face of the advancing British. When his captain came and told him

he must retire, he did so with great reluctance, facing the enemy all the while, saying, "I will never have it told that Si Pierce was shot in the back." He lived to tell the story for more than a half century afterward and how many bullets he fired that day. He was among those "Venerable Men" present at the laying of the cornerstone of Bunker Hill Monument.



## CHAPTER

# 7

*I will pick up a few straws here and there over the broad field,  
and ask you to look at them.*

WHEN Cornwallis surrendered on October 19, 1781, the end of the Revolutionary War seemed almost in sight even though the final peace treaty was not signed until September 3, 1783. In all ways the conditions of the country were very unsettled, the currency issued to meet the expenses of the war, almost worthless, and governmental affairs unstable. Taxes were payable in silver or gold—and the average man had neither. Various relief measures were adopted and failed of the desired results. In parts of western Massachusetts, insurrections arose. The extreme dissatisfaction of the soldiers is amply testified to in the following letter, written by Othniel Taylor to his father:

To Capt. Othniel Taylor,  
Charlemont, Mass.

New Hampshire State  
Jan. 28, 1782.

Hon. Sir. I understand that there was some confiscated estates sold some time last fall in Deerfield, in particular Nath. Dickinsons. if father could have an opportunity to put it off my next Note I should be very glad. I understand that we are not likely to have them paid by the State. I think it would be better for me to have a private mans security than the States. If father could (put) it off and git not more than one third part of the money down, I would willingly wait one year for the other, or longer if it be in good hands. it will not do for me to sell the Note to them—I may give them a Power of attorney to act for me in regard to the payment of the Note for it will not be assured (?) unless it is certified that the note is still my property, and that I am in actual Service.

We have been Bamboozled Baffled so much by the State, that we are detirmed not to take State for Pay master any



longer & have chosen a Committee to send to Congress & make a Settlement for wages for the year 1781 who sit out this week. As we are employed by Congress we have an undoubted right to look to them for our pay—I do not know that the State has a right to loan our money for four, five, six and seven years as they have done, without our consent.

I am sensible that the State labors under great embarrassments, much more than the common people know and neither do they ought to know it.

The whole army is very sensible that the State is by no means able to pay our wages as fast as they become due—If they would pay so much as to support us, while in the service, and give us good security for the remainder I am very sensible it would be satisfactory to the army—only one fourth part would suffice, as the army would be willing to submit to any Embarrassment from that Quarter if the State would only act the honest part. I have ever tride to put on the Best construction on the conduct that I possibly could, but it is my sincere oppinion that the State as a Body wish to wrong the army out of every farthing that is due them.

We have been under marching orders about fifteen days, but did not know which way were to march until yesterday I understand it was on account of the Rebellion, and disturbance which hath lately happened to the Grant in consequence of which Gen<sup>l</sup> Washington requested Gen<sup>l</sup> Heath to order 2<sup>d</sup> Connecticut Brigade and the 10 Massachusetts Regt. to hold themselves in readiness to march at the shortest notis to Albany. If there (is) no further disturbance it is not likely we shall march Otherwise we shall.

from your dutiful son

O. Taylor

This letter was among the Taylor papers with many others, now on file in various places. W. O. Taylor who collected so much of Buckland early history in the way of old letters, notes and so forth, gave it to Hon. George Sheldon for use in his Deerfield History. Mr. Sheldon thus comments:

The “marching orders” referred to were doubtless given in consequence of an address to Congress from the “Yorkers” in Vermont, dated Jan. 8th, 1782, representing that the “Vermonters” were abusing them and intriguing to deliver the “Hampshire Grants” over to Great Britain. Neither Washington, nor Congress, nor the Yorkers themselves, knew the underlying facts of the case until the cessation of hostilities. Then appeared the consummate skill which had hood-winked the English ministry, saved Vermont from invasion, and built up an independent State.

If Captain Taylor was a representative man, the broad patriotism of the Massachusetts 10th, under their privations and hardships, the sting of injustice, and the loss of faith in their native State, is something to wonder at and admire. And the genius of a commander who, with such a state of affairs as this letter shows, could conquer a peace with Great Britain, seems almost superhuman.

So matters drifted on until the nineteenth of April 1782 when Holland acknowledged our Independence. Then in January 1783 came news of a treaty for the cessation of hostilities between England and the United States and on April 19, 1783, eight years to a day after the battle of Lexington, Washington proclaimed to the army a general peace.

### THE RECONSTRUCTION PERIOD

Now came the inevitable period of reconstruction and readjustment. As in all places the Buckland people were in a bad condition financially, but that they manfully did their part is not to be doubted.

The Shay's Rebellion occurred, in which an effort was made to break down the authority of the Courts. In the Centennial address of Josiah Griswold is the only reference found to anyone from this town having any part in this. (See Buckland Centennial.)

### WAR OF 1812

Recovery came in time, but soon after war with Great Britain again loomed, and was formally declared on June 18, 1812. Here again all records locally are missing, and it is not probable that there would have been found a great deal on this topic had they been preserved.

The legislatures of Massachusetts, Connecticut and New Jersey and a strong minority in Congress protested against this war. Thompson in his *History of Greenfield* says: "The course of New England in this war was neither patriotic nor creditable, but the war received the approbation of the people of the west, who had suffered untold miseries by Indian warfare."

President Madison issued a call for troops. The Supreme Court of Massachusetts rendered a decision (at the request of the Governor, Caleb Strong), to the effect that in *certain contin-*

*gencies*, the President might call out the State militia, but that as there was no power given the President and Congress to determine when those contingencies really did exist, the Governor of a state must determine the question for himself; hence the President's call had no force. Governor Strong at this time declined to issue the call for troops and many soldiers who sympathized with the war enlisted from New York state.

Later a draft was ordered and there was a company raised at Charlemont, taking in all draftees from that town and immediate vicinity. This was under the command of Captain J. White and assigned to Lt.Colonel T. Longley's regiment. The draft occurred on Sunday, September 13, 1814 and the company were in service at Boston until November 7, of that year. In the records of the Massachusetts Militia for the War of 1812, now published by the State, the names of the following Buckland men appear:

#### OFFICERS

Elisha Smith, Lieutenant  
Amos Brooks, Corporal  
Willis Carter, Adjutant

#### PRIVATES

Rodolphus Allis	Smisson Bronson	Jehial Drake
Zebulon Eddy	Alvah Lazzell	Nathan Lyon
Moses Nelson	John Sprague	Ansel Taylor
	William Vibber	

Anson Bement served in this same regiment in Captain J. B. Brown's Co., which was raised in Stowe and vicinity. He attained the rank of Corporal.

Harris Wight served in Captain E. Strong's company, same regiment, raised in and near Northampton.

Othniel Taylor, son of Lemuel and a native of Buckland, enlisted in New York state and saw much service in northern New York, being in the battle of Sodus Point on June 19-20, 1813. Among the papers of the late William Othniel Taylor, is a letter from Othniel Taylor written to his "Dear Children" dated Burlington, Vt., December 8, 1812, where he had been since the preceding July 21, aside from four weeks at Plattsburg, N. Y. It is a vivid portrayal of the wretched condition of the troops when an epidemic, often suddenly fatal in effect, was raging.



As there was little else contained in it, it has not seemed wise to insert it here.

Forest Cranson was said to have been in service in this war, but his army record has not been found; he may have been one who went to New York State for enlistment and so credited to that state. Betsey S. Taylor of Buckland was a pensioner of this war.

### MILITIA

From the very first, the settlers of Massachusetts had a well defined military history. Rev. A. C. Hodges wrote an account of this for the Centennial edition of the Greenfield Gazette and Courier in 1892. Because of so many missing records, it is reproduced here as being the best obtainable.

The first settlers of Massachusetts organized the men into militia companies with training by towns and general training of groups of towns six to eight times a year. Every town must have its gun house and powder house, and might use the meeting house for the latter purpose. A portion of each company should be ready at a minute's notice to march against the indians, with arms and accoutrements complete. Later from this system two forms of organization were developed, one the old militia enrollment by towns, the other voluntary enlistment by companies.

At the close of the Revolution, the militia was reorganized. The Buckland infantry company was in the Ninth regiment, 2d brigade, 4th division, along with companies in Conway, Ashfield, Charlemont, Rowe and Heath, according to the general order of November 3, 1786.

The staff officers furnished for the regiment include Quartermasters Lemuel Taylor, 1788; Asa Nichols, 1799; Thomas Carter, 1804 and John Jones, 1827. Joseph Allen was surgeon's mate in 1794 and surgeon in 1801; John Ames was major in 1804 and lieutenant-colonel commanding in 1807; Henry Taylor was major in 1809 and Joseph Griswold in 1811; Willis Carter was adjutant in 1811, George Mayhew in 1819, Amos Shepard in 1821 and Lucius Graham in 1827. The captains were John Ames in 1801; Gardner Wilder in 1804; Henry Taylor in 1808; Othniel Johnson in 1811; Elisha Smith in 1816; Samuel Taylor Jr., in 1818; William Putnam in 1823; John C. Ward in 1825; Ebenezer Maynard in 1829. The first lieutenants included also Adolphus (probably Alph-eus) Brooks, Amos Shepard, David W. Taylor, Alvah Lozell and Willard Ware. The company seems to have disbanded in 1840. The only cavalry officer on record is Samuel Taylor,

cornet, in 1795. An artillery company was raised in this 5th regiment in 1800, at Charlemont, with James Fails for captain and Stephen Allis and Joseph Ballard, lieutenants. It seems to have become a Buckland company by 1807 when Luke Carter was elected Captain. The subsequent captains were John Tobey in 1819; John Porter in 1825; Dexter Atkins in 1829; William Forbs in 1837, Erasmus D. Thompson in 1841; Thomas B. Montague in 1845. The cannon was kept in a gun house east of the Congregational church, standing in what is now the old cemetery, and near the north wall. The powder was said to have been stored in the meeting house loft. A safer place could hardly be found in the days when the only warmth allowed was what foot-stoves were able to afford. The company removed its headquarters to Shelburne Falls in 1845 and was disbanded in 1847.

The training days and the military glory of Buckland were no small part of its life during the first period of its history. The common was well situated for the display of parades and trainings, and the annual musters were notable gatherings. But with the progress of the total abstinence movement one of the chief attractions of the "good old times" disappeared, and more important interests supplanted the militia companies in popular favor.

The Chapin Genealogy supplements Rev. Hodges' list of officers as follows:

Luther Chapin served as First Lieutenant of the Company of Artillery in Buckland, was elected Captain in 1841, served two years, and received an honorable discharge.

From the Greenfield Gazette and Courier, is gathered the item that on March 23, 1858, Lt. H. A. Bowen of Buckland was chosen major, taking the place of George P. Carpenter of Shelburne who had received promotion.

David Taylor's commission as Lieutenant in the militia and his discharge therefrom read:

Commission issued by William Eustes, Governor and Commander-in-chief, to David W. Taylor of Buckland, as Lieutenant of a Company in the Fifth Regiment of Infantry in the Second Brigade and Fourth Division of the militia of this Commonwealth, reposing special trust and confidence in your ability, courage and good conduct, I do by these Presents, Commission you accordingly.

It was signed by Alden Bradford, Secretary of the Commonwealth.



David Taylor's resignation was accepted in the following letter:

June 22, 1826. The Governor and Commander-in-chief has accepted the resignation of David W. Taylor as Lieutenant of a Company in the Fifth regiment of Infantry, in the Second Brigade and fourth Division of the Militia of the Commonwealth and he is honorably discharged at his own request, from the Office of Lieutenant in the Regiment aforesaid.

By his Excellency's Command.

C. H. Sumner, Adjutant-General.

Maxwell Thompson, Major (s. of Hugh, who was b. in Ireland in 1699), brother of Hugh of Heath, was the youngest of five children, born in Bedford, Mass., September 11, old style or 22, new style, 1742, when his mother was fifty years old.

His early life was spent as a ranger in Provisional colonial service against the Indians, in a force of 700 under command of General Amherst. There is an extremely interesting account of his life to be found in the form of a diary, in the New England Historical and Genealogical Register, Vol. 45, pp. 271-278, entitled "Remarkable Military Life." His service took him all the way from Pigwackett Pond in Fryeburg, Me., to Mackinaw, Mich. "In November 1763, obtained my dismissal and went home. Married Sybel Wyman, being then 22 years old and she 27 years old. We lived together  $38\frac{1}{3}$  years. In May 1764, lived at Milford, then at Amherst, N. H., farming, teaming &c, until 1775. Moved to Buckland, Mass. in 1779. ""In 1802, my first wife died. In 1807 married the widow of Captain Little of New Jersey, residence in Ohio, Butler County, town of Madison, called the 'Brush Estate'." His third wife was a widow from Michigan Territory, and his final residence near Detroit, Mich.

He saw active service in the Revolutionary War, leaving Boston upon the evacuation by the British, went to Providence, New York, up the Hudson, to Crown Point, to Montreal, back to Crown Point and Ticonderoga, then south to join General Washington, to Pennsylvania, to Morristown, back to Crown Point and Ticonderoga, and on October 17, 1777 he writes, "Surrender of Burgoyne. Grand Military display. Resigned and returned home."

In the spring of 1778 he re-enlisted, and served as Captain of Rangers and was in various parts of New York state until



November 1779, when he again resigned and returned home. "Move to Buckland, Mass., Hampshire County, and continue residence there for twenty years to A.D. 1800. Then go to Ohio, Madison County."

1780. A member of the Massachusetts Convention to frame a Constitution of government—and have been a representative to Boston five or six times during my residence at Buckland, before removing to Ohio.

In 1787, as Captain in the Militia oppose Daniel Shays and the insurgents at Springfield &c.

After moving to Ohio he continued his farming and military service and in 1811, was in the Battle of Tippecanoe, General Harrison commanding the U. S. troops. He remained in the service and in September 1812 was taken to Cleveland, as a prisoner of war, but returned to his home in Ohio in October. His motives now seem to have been misinterpreted and a mob burned his possessions. He remained in the service and "with the troops" through the years 1816-17-18-19.

During the two last summer's residence at Detroit, receive Captain's pay, \$240. pension, with the rank of Major. The natural infirmity of years excepted, at the age of 77, have general good health, a firm step, active habits, temperate and unbroken faculties, ardent patriotism, industrious disposition, an honest mind and a grateful heart, still in the enjoyment of social interests, estimable friendships and the constant duties of devotion. A long and useful life.

In January 1833 he was thought to be still living near Detroit, past the advanced age of ninety years.

Children (by first wife):

- i. Hugh
- ii. James
- iii. Joshua
- iv. Thompson
- v. Betsey



## CHAPTER

## 8

*A mere scrap of paper, old and worn!  
Do not ruthlessly destroy, lest thereby some precious bit of  
knowledge goes with it.*

BUT very few papers dealing with town affairs at an early date are in existence. Among some old papers at the Buckland library, many of no especial significance, were two original documents kept by Alpheus Brooks, town treasurer, for the years 1814 and 1815. These were settlements with the town for those two years, and are:

	Dr.
The town Treasurer to the town of Buckland in the last years settlement.....	\$332.89
To Cash rec <sup>d</sup> of Mr. Cobb and Willis for not training .....	4.00
To Cash paid by Maj. Griswold for his Note..	4.85
To Cash rec <sup>d</sup> of Esq. Taylor for fines.....	9.25
To dito for School land .....	3.50
To tax bills Committed to Rufus Trowbridge in 1813 .....	517.30
To the overlaying of the State tax .....	8.68
To money paid for assessing and Collecting the Minister's tax in 1813 .....	8.00
To Cash rec <sup>d</sup> of Enos Pomeroy .....	2.00
	<hr/>
	\$900.47

Buckland March 3 A. D. 1814 This Day the Selectmen and Treasurer of Said Town Recorded all accounts of money put into the Treasurers hands and all the money paid out by the Treasurer for said towns and We find in favor of the town, three hundred & eighteen Dollars & ninety eight Cents.

## Contra.

By Cash paid for powder .....	\$51.00
By paying Peletiah Eddy's order .....	3.75
By paying accounts allowed at May meeting last .....	17.23
By Cash paid for the County tax .....	103.87
By Cash paid for acknowledging and recording two deeds belonging to the town .....	1.29
By paying the Assessors for 1813 .....	23.75
By Cash paid for making Cartridges .....	1.50
By paying Rufus Trowbridge's order .....	2.10
By paying Rufus Trowbridge for Collecting taxes for 1812 .....	27.00
By paying Zenas Graham, Levi Taylor, Adam McNitt, Stephen Allis, Timothy Tryon and Joner Ward School Committee for 1813 .....	350.00

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\$581.49

In the last years reconing of the Minister's money there was in favor of the town .....	\$25.25
To tax bill committed to Rufus Trowbridge in 1813 .....	241.80
	<hr/> \$267.05
	241.33

We find in favor of the town of the Minister's money .....	\$25.72
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Levi White     } Selectmen of  
 Enos Pomeroy } Buckland.  
 Alpheus Brooks, Treasurer.

## Contra.

The Treasurer Stands Credited for the following Sums paid out for the Support of the Minister. viz.;	
for Assessing and Collecting the Minister's tax ..	\$8.00
By paying the Rev. Josiah Spalding Salary up to the first Day of March A.D., 1814 .....	233.33
	<hr/> \$241.33

On the back side of this sheet:

There remains in the hands of the Treasurer in favor of the town besides the School Notes a Note of .....	\$5.30
The within Settlement Accepted March 7, 1814.	





## Contra.

The Treasurer Stands Credited for the following sums paid out for the Minister Sallory Viz	
For Assessing and Collecting the Ministers tax...	4.60
March 1 <sup>st</sup> 1815 by paying the Rev. Josiah Spaulding his Stated Sallory up to this Date.....	233.33
	<hr/> \$237.93

This paper is endorsed on the back:

The Settlement with the Treasurer Accepted May 1st, 1815.  
From old Taylor papers in the possession of Julian Goddard:

Know all men by these presents that I Josephus Taylor have this day Recd of Enos Taylor Jr. Five Hundred Dollars in full for my proportion of my Honored father Enos Taylors estate the *Recd* of which I do hereby acknowledge as full satisfaction for a clause in my Honored fathers Enos Taylors Will Specifying Five Hundred Dollars to be paid to me in one year after his decease.

I do therefore hereby agree to quit all claim right or title to me my heirs or assigns forever to any part or parcel of my aforesaid fathers estate either real or personal.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my name This 1<sup>th</sup> day of November A. D. 1814

Asa Potter

Josephus Taylor

Enos Taylor (on outside is name & "*Recd* \$523.")

(On a printed form)

Received of *Enos Taylor Jr.*

1 dollors 04 cents, in full for the Direct Tax against him for the year 1814.

*Samuel Wright.* Dep. Coll'r.

The next is also from the Taylor papers in Mr. Goddard's possession:

To Enos Taylor Jr. one of the Surveyors of Highways in the town of Buckland

We do assign to you the following ways for repair and amendment Viz. beginning at the Meeting-house thence to Deerfield River by Deac Taylors; from *sd* road to Deerfield River by Heman Farnums; from *sd* road by Maj. Taylors to *sd* road again; from Maj. Taylors easterly to Capt. L. Whites east line; from Rufus Trowbridges old shop across the bridge toward I. Boydens; And fail not to keep *sd* roads in repair according to the law.

Given under our hands this  
thirteenth of March 1820.

Japhet Chapin

John Tobey

Joseph Griswold

} Selectmen



(On the outside is the name "Enos Taylor Jr. "and \$85.87."  
From the Goddard-Taylor Papers:

Eighty nine days after date we Thomas Carter Willis Carter and Enos Taylor Jr. of Buckland and Justus Smith of Ashfield and Robert Lazell of Buckland as surety and jointly and severally promise the President Directors and Company of the Hampshire Bank to pay them one hundred and fifty Dollars value received

July 11, 1820

On the back all these names appear:

Tho. Carter  
Willis Carter  
Enos Taylor, Jr.  
Justus Smith  
Thomas White  
Robert Lazell

150

2:30

147,70

and

April 12

3

225

147.70

77.30

There is nothing in the above to indicate whether this was a transaction for the town's benefit or a private one.

Received this 22 day of Jan 1816 from ———  
the sum of 11.02

for Direct Tax upon the property of *Enos Taylor* in the *Town of Buckland* in the seventeenth Collection District, in the State of Massachusetts, under the act of Congress passed the 2d August 1813, to lay and collect a direct tax within the United States.

.....

\$11.02

.....

*David Laugh*

Collector for the seventeenth  
Collection District in the  
State of Massachusetts.

Another like receipt was given to Enos Taylor, Jr., for the sum of \$2.07 in settlement of his direct tax, dated the same. These were both made out on printed forms.



## TOWN WARRANTS AND MEETINGS

Among the private papers of Edgar Ward were some old town warrants and records of the meetings for the years 1829-30, 31 and 32, which follow:

To Samuel Perkins Constable of Buckland

Greeting;

You are hereby required in the name of the commonwealth of Massachusetts to notify and warn the freeholders and other inhabitants of the town of Buckland qualified by law to vote in town meeting to meet at the meeting house in said Buckland on monday the fifth day of May next at one oclock afternoon to act on the following articles Viz;

- 1<sup>st</sup> To choose a moderator to govern said meeting.
- 2<sup>d</sup> To hear petition of Justus Ruddock and others to see if the town will divide the Southwest School District
- 3<sup>d</sup> To except Town accounts.
- 4<sup>th</sup> To raise money to pay town expenses.
- 5<sup>th</sup> To see if the town will relinquish Silas Smith's Highway taxes for 1822 & 1823 and allow him to work out the same on a bridge across the river against his house.
- 6<sup>th</sup> To see if the town will remit any taxes that shall be presented.
- 7<sup>th</sup> To see if the Town will accept the revisal of the Jury box.
- 8<sup>th</sup> To see if the Town will allow neat cattle or Horses to run at large without a keeper.
- 9<sup>th</sup> To see if the Town will make any agreement with Ezra Howes to free them from any expense of supporting Josiah Spaulding Junior or act thereon
- 10<sup>th</sup> To see if the Town will accept of the settlement with the Treasury Given under our hands at Buckland aforesaid this 22<sup>d</sup> day of April 1823

Robert Lazell	} Selectmen
Joseph Hubbard	
William Putnam	
	of
	Buckland

The record of the town meeting is on the reverse side of the warrant.

Met agreeable to Warrant.

1. Erastus Taylor chosen Moderator.  
(Voted to take up the third article
3. (Voted to choose a committee of three persons to examine town accounts Alpheus Brooks Thomas Orcutt and  
(Capt. Lemuel Taylor chosen



Bartlett Ballard, Ezra B. Sherwin, Solomon Edson, Jonathan Smith, James Clark Jr. and Ariel Ware chosen Highway Surveyors—Sworn.

Oliver Rawson, Samuel Ruddock, Jonathan Ward, William Forbes Dr. L. Long, John Nims, Enos Taylor Jr., Noah Willis Jr., Ebenezer B. Hathaway School District Committees

Capt. E. Smith chosen Surveyor of Lumber—Sworn  
Zenas Field not sworn, & Newell Townsley Chosen Fence Viewers. Sworn

Josiah Johnson not sworn, Ezra B. Sherwin & Ezra Howes chosen Tythingmen—Sworn.

Samuel Butler, Jesse Coleman & Samuel A. Ruddock chosen Field Drivers—Sworn

Merit Stetson chosen but not sworn

Levi Taylor chosen Sealer of Leather—sworn

Capt. John Porter, William Sherwin, Calvin Pomeroy and Oliver Coleman chosen School committee

Art. 3. Voted to raise 300 dollars for schooling Voted to raise 500 dollars for the repair of Highways to allow 75 cents per day for a man or yoke of oxen to the first day of Oct. then 50 cents; for a plough 75 cents and 25 cents through the season

Art. 4. Voted to set up all the paupers in Town except Almira Edson at vendue to be supported for one year viz. Joseph Chilson & wife Josiah Pierce & wife & Cynthia Perkins.

Silas Smith bid 231 Dolls. He being the lowest bidder they were struck off to him

Art. 5. Voted to raise 400 Dollars to defray Town charges  
Voted to dissolve the meeting  
Franklin Ss.

To Samuel Perkins Constable of the town of Buckland in the County of Franklin Greeting.

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Buckland qualified to vote in town affairs to meet at the Congregational Meeting house in said town on Monday the third day of May next at two O'clock in the afternoon to act on the following articles. viz.

1. To choose a moderator to govern said meeting.
2. To see if the town will raise fifty dollars in addition to what they have raised for schooling.
3. To see if the town will cause a survey of their town according to the act of our Legislature.



4. To except or discontinue rodes.
5. To allow town accounts.
6. To hear the petition of Nathan Batchelor and others and act anything thereon

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid

Given under our hands and seals this twentieth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty

Elisha Smith	}	Selectmen
Eliphaz Woodward		of
Alvah Lazell		Buckland.

Franklin Ss.

Buckland May 3, 1830

In Obedience to the within Warrant I have notified the freeholders and other inhabitants of Buckland to meet at the time and place for the purposes Within mentioned.

Samuel Perkins, Constable.

May 3, 1830.

Met agreeable to Warrant.

Art. 1. Capt. John Porter chosen Moderator.

Art. 2. Voted to raise fifty dollars for schooling

Art. 3. Voted to set up to the lowest bidder the surveying of this town according to a resolve of this Commonwealth passed in February last.

Voted that this survey be completed by the first Wednesday in Feb. next and if the survey be not correct the person who bids it off shall not receive any thing for it.

Voted that if the selectmen can procure any person to do it for five dollars less than it is bid off that within one month the bid is void.

Silas Smith bid forty seven and a half Dollars; he being the lowest bidder it was struck off to him

Art. 4. Voted to accept an alteration in the road leading from Clesson's river to Nathan Batchelors

Voted that twelve Dollars on a hundred of the money raised in March last for the repairs of Highways be expended on said road.

Art. 5. Voted to choose a committee to examine Town accounts. Capt. G. Mayhew, Alpheus Brooks & Ephraim Williams chosen Comm.

Voted to accept the following accounts

John Porter

\$1.00

Joseph Griswold & Joseph Hubbard three Dollars  
each to be allowed on the highway tax the present  
year \$6.00

Voted to accept an alteration in the road from Nathan  
Bachelors to Jacob Jones on condition that it be not  
opened the present year

Voted to allow Wm Sherwin four Dollars for services  
as School Committee for the last year \$4.00

Voted to dissolve the meeting.

Franklin Ss. To Samuel Perkins, Constable of the town  
of Buckland, Greeting.

You are hereby ordered and directed to notify and warn  
the freeholders and other inhabitants of the town of Buckland  
qualified by law to vote in town affairs to meet at the Con-  
gregational Meeting house in said town on Monday the  
seventh day of March next at nine O'clock A. M. to act on  
the following articles. viz.

1. To choose a moderator to govern said meeting.
2. To choose town officers
3. To raise moneys to defray town charges
4. To raise money for schooling
5. To raise money for the repair of highways.
6. To choose a County Treasurer
7. To see if the town will let those that have overworked  
their highway taxes the last year answer on their  
taxes the present year
8. To see what method the town will adopt for the support  
of the poor the present year and act thereon
9. To see if the town will allow Widow Allen damages for  
the rode crossing her land
10. To see if the town will alter the Road by John Vibbers.
11. To remit Taxes.
12. To accept Town Accounts.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with  
your doings thereon to the town clerk at the time  
and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands and seals this seventeenth day  
of February in the year of our Lord one thousand  
eight hundred and thirty one

Elisha Smith	} Selectmen
Eliphaz Woodward	
Alvah Lazell	
	of
	Buckland

Franklin Ss.

Pursuant to the within Warrant I have notified the inhabitants of Buckland qualified to vote in the town meetings to meet at the time and place and for the purposes within mentioned.

Buckland March 7th 1831 Samuel Perkins, Constable.

Met agreeable to Warrant.

Art. 1. Joseph Griswold chosen Moderator.

Art. 2. Amos Shepard chosen Town Clerk

Capt. Elisha Smith	}	Selectmen
Eliphaz Woodward		
Alvah Lazell		
Rufus Trowbridge	}	Assessors Sworn
Levi Sprague		
Amos Shepard		

Alpheus Brooks, Treasurer.

Voted to set up the collecting of the taxes to the lowest bidder with the privilege of being Constable.

Capt. Ebenezer Maynard bid eleven Dollars and fifty cents and he was chosen Constable and Collector and the collector is to pay to the Treasurer one half his collection of town taxes by the first day of Oct. next and the remainder by the first Monday of March next

Alpheus Brooks, Jonathan Ward, Samuel Taylor Jr., Abner Townsley, Ransellaer Vebert, Manley Drake, Job Woodward, Dixon Daniels, Erastus Bramin, Joseph Nichols Jr., Niram Mallory Jr., & Alvan Ruddock Chosen highway Surveyors.

John Porter, George Chapman, Theodosius Wood, Seth Leonard, Oliver Rawson, Capt. E. Maynard, Tom Thayer, Charles Elmer & Joseph Nichols chosen District Committees.

Joseph Hubbard chosen Tythingman.

Jonathan Smith & Zenas (name crossed out) Fence Viewers

Harris Wight, Asa Nichols, Calvin Pomeroy, Daniel Bement, & Newel Townsley Field Drivers. Job Woodward, Richmond Mallory & Jabez Ware, Hogreeves.

Capt. Elisha Smith Surveyor of Lumber.

Levi Taylor Sealer of Leather.

Franklin Ss. To Ebenezer Maynard Constable of the town of Buckland Greeting.



In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Buckland qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs to meet at the Congregational Meeting house in said town on Monday the fifth day of March next at nine O'clock A.M. then and there to act on the following articles.

1. To choose a moderator to govern said meeting.
2. To choose all necessary town officers.
3. To raise money to defray town charges.
4. To raise money for repairing highways and to determine the manner.
5. To choose a County Treasurer.
6. To except of town accounts.
7. To see what measure the town will take to support their poor the present year and act thereon.
8. To see if the town will put out Smisson Brunsons children.
9. To hear the petition of J. Pratt and S. Brackett to be set off from No. 6 School District to No. 7.
10. To hear the petition of J. Pratt for damage for a rode across his land.
11. To see if the town will make the rest of the new rode near the Bachelors.
12. To except or discontinue rodes.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at each of the usual places for notifying town meeting in said town fourteen days at least before the time for holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands and seals this fifteenth day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty two.

Elisha Smith	} Selectmen of Buckland.
Alvah Lazell	

In obedience to the within order I have notified and warned the inhabitants of Buckland to meet at the time and place for purposes herein warned

Ebenezer Maynard, Constable of Buckland.

Buckland February 19th 1832.

Buckland March 5, 1832

Met agreeably to warrant.

Art. 1. Capt. John Porter chosen Moderator.

Art. 2. Amos Shepard Town Clerk

Capt. Elisha Smith	}	Selectmen
Levi Sprague		
Alvah Lazell		

Capt. William Putnam Treasurer.

Eliphaz Woodward	}	Assessors.
Nathan Homes		
Amos Shepard		

Capt. Ebenezer Maynard Constable.

Voted that the collectorship be set up at the lowest bidder and that the two lowest bidders be candidates for the office.

Capt. E. Maynard chosen Constable

Eli Gray, Ariel Tilden, Richard Ware, Richmond Mallory, Ozias Willis, John Ward, Nathan Homes, D. W. Taylor, John Frost Highway Surveyors. Also Capt. E. Maynard & Adam Clark, Josiah Johnson and sworn Silas Trowbridge, John Sprague, Levi Sprague, Peter Butler Jr. Amos Shepard, Harvey Wight, Nathan Howes, & Joseph Nichols, chosen District Committee.

Capt. John Porter, William Forbes, & Abner Townsley Superintending School Comm.

Samuel Taylor Jr.	}	Tythingmen.
Zur Hitchcock		
Eliphaz Woodward		

Zenas Field & Newell Townsley Fence Viewers.

Merit Stetson, Walter Pelton & Emmons Pratt Field Drivers.

John Jones, D.W.T. Jones, Abijah Thayer, Dixon M. Daniels & Joel Woodward, Hogreeves. Zenas Graham Pound Keeper.

Levi Taylor, Sealer of Leather.

Capt. E. Smith, Surveyor of Lumber.

Art. 6. Rufus Trowbridge, Eliphaz Woodward & Ariel Ware Com. on accts.

Art. 5. Votes for County Treasurer. Hooker Leavitt Esq. 63  
William Elliott 1.

Art. 7. Voted that the paupers be left in the hands of the Selectmen.

Art. 8. Voted that the Children of Smisson Brunson be left in the hands of the Selectmen.

Art. 9-10. Voted to pass over this article.

Art. 3. Voted to raise five hundred Dollars to defray Town Charges.

Voted to raise three hundred and fifty Dollars for Schooling. (The record ends here.)

From the Taylor-Goddard papers:

To the Prudential Committee of the First Parish in Buckland.

We the subscribers have assessed the inhabitants of said Parish in the sum of four hundred and twenty eight Dollars and thirty six cents, and have committed lists thereof to the collector of the said Parish with a warrant in due form of the law for collecting and paying the same to Ezra Howes, Treasurer of said Parish, or his successor in that Office, as follows, viz.: two hundred Dollars on the first day of October next, and the remainder on the first of March next.

Buckland

August 17, 1833

Amos Shepard	} Parish Assessors.
Elisha Smith	
Ezra B. Sherwin	

(On the outside: "Certificate to Parish-Prudential Committee".)

The town of Buckland to Japhet Chapin Dr., for cash paid to procure to town books from Boston in 1824, \$0.25; 1826 March, for attending Court of Sessions two days and expenses to oppose the contemplated county road through this town.....	\$3.33
For cash paid to get the town deed on record. ....	0.50

Total	\$4.08
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Buckland May 1st, 1826. Japhet Chapin.

In an old number of the Greenfield Gazette and Courier is an article saying that in looking over the old town records of Buckland was found a vote of the town at its annual spring meeting ("year not given"); a contract was made whereby the funeral expenses of no inhabitant should necessarily exceed \$4.50. The coffin was to be \$2.50; the digging of the grave, \$1.00; hearse and driver, \$1.00.

These extracts of Buckland Town records while not particularly different from others of that day, are reproduced here through the courtesy of the owners of these old papers, as being all that is left and known of the original papers of the town.



Those in Mr. Julian Goddard's possession were found in an old article of furniture purchased by him at an auction. They were very evidently some belonging to the early Taylors.

Those held by Mr. Edgar Ward may have come from former Ward officials. They are in excellent condition both as to paper and ink, and plainly written. The town is to be congratulated that these gentlemen, realizing their historic worth, had saved them and were willing to allow their reproduction in the town's history.

#### THE COUNTY TAX OF BUCKLAND UP TO THE YEAR 1880

1812—\$81.12	1847—
1813—\$103.87	1848—\$207.47
1814—\$103.87	1849—\$219.69
1815—\$103.87 March term	1850—\$244.10
\$48.69 August term	1851—
1816—\$103.87 August term	1852—\$103.18
1817—1819 not known	1853—\$203.18
1819—\$100.56 March term	1854—\$273.34
1820—\$100.26 March term	1855—\$410.01
1821—\$74.28 March term	1856—\$410.01
1822—\$93.18 March term	1857—
1823—\$94.40 March term	1858—
1824—\$141.60 March term	1859—
1825—\$94.40 March term	1860—\$410.01
1826—\$94.40 March term	1861—\$878.85
1827—\$371.25	1862—\$790.96
1828—\$509.69	1863—\$703.08
1829—\$448.80	1864—\$659.13
1830—\$220.23	1865—\$524.53
1831—\$235.96	1866—\$484.19
1832—\$177.65	1867—\$806.97
1833—\$236.86	1868—
1834—\$236.86	1869—
1835—\$177.64	1870—
1836—\$236.86	1871—
1837—\$236.86	1872—
1838—\$236.86	1873—\$1585.94
1839—\$387.86	1874—\$1585.94
1840—\$266.47	1875—\$1585.94
1841—\$200.15	1876—\$1215.28
1842—\$195.27	1877—\$1041.67
1843—\$170.87	1878—\$972.22
1844—\$146.46	1879—\$956.87
1845—\$146.46	1880—\$972.22
1846—\$170.87	



## CHAPTER

# 9

*Within this temple, reared of old  
By faithful men and true,  
We keep the faith our fathers kept,  
Their vows to God renew.*

### THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

WHEN this society observed its one hundredth anniversary, the Reverend A. C. Hodges, then pastor, pretty fully reviewed the history of the church and parish. From other speakers of the day the accounts of the different branches of the church work were given also, therefore for such records the reader is referred to the relation of the Centennial Celebration given later in this chapter. From other sources, notably writings by "Uncle Zeekiel" (Bement) contained in a scrap-book of the late Erwin Ward, interesting information is found relative to the building and general plan of the church in its earlier days. Ezekiel Bement was for many years a devout church worker. His home was on the present Herbert Keach place. A daughter, Miss Clara, now lives at Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

Reverend Theophilus Packard writes that prior to the building of the church, worship was conducted in a barn. Although the church was organized in 1785 the first building was not begun until 1793 and not finished until 1800. The builder was Colonel John Ames, who lived where later was J. W. Griswold's home. That this was at first in a partially finished condition, we must infer from the testimony of one of the Buckland elders who said that as a boy, when attending worship in this old building he was much entertained by watching swallows fly in at the gable ends, and build their nests among the rafters.

As Mr. Bement describes it, formerly over the wide front

door, located in exactly the center of the south side, was placed the date, 1793. The church was then devoid of steeple, belfry or bell. The edifice was practically, if not quite, square, with the large front door through which the minister was expected to enter, and at either end, were places of entrances through porches with high stone platforms, for the convenience of those who rode horseback, or in any of the then used vehicles. These stone platforms and steps represented volunteer work on the part of several men, Gardner Wilder with his ox-team having drawn the stones from his pasture. Instead of slips or movable settees (the old wooden benches had by this time been discarded),

we see large square pews, none too spacious however, to accommodate the large families, numbering as many of them did, a good baker's dozen, even. There was a row of these pews extending around the walls, excepting the pulpit on the north side, and the three entrance places; next an aisle around the entire room. Between this and the broad aisle was a double row of body pews, with an occasional three cornered one, made to fit some peculiar place or angle. Now, let us before going up into the gallery, walk up to the head of the broad aisle where stands the pulpit, high up on the side of the house, with two long rows of stairs leading up into it, with the deacon's seat in front only a few feet lower, where sits Uncle Amos who is afflicted with the shaking palsy, Uncle Silas, who is seen up there with one hand placed up to his ear, so as to hear the preacher better, and in later years was obliged to go up into the pulpit and stand beside the preacher to hear. In front of this seat was another place where stood the table.

Now we will go "up gallery" and see how the seats are arranged there; and this we can do by passing up through the porches, at each corner of one end of the house. When we arrive at the top of the first flight of stairs, we come into a kind of recess or ante room, where the young people used to gather to spend the intermission and occasionally truant boys were invited there by the tythingman after the meeting began. Here in the gallery as below, we find a row of square pews, on three sides of the church. In front of these pews was an aisle extending the same distance. A step below, we come to the boy's and girl's seat, which, in those days of large families, was a necessary provision; and still another step lower, and we enter the the front or singer's seat, which with the above occupy three sides of the gallery. Directly in front of the pulpit sat the chorister, with hymn and note book in



one hand, and "ye relic of the olden time," a curious musical instrument called a "pitch-pipe" in the other, ready, as soon as the minister had read the hymn to lead off that large choir of singers sitting at his side. The tythingman sits at the head of the boy's seat.\*\*\* Stop a moment! What is that hanging over the pulpit so firmly grasped in that man's hand, thrust through the ceiling over-head, and that beautifully ornamented iron that supports it?

Many a time I have sat through the services even when young, and pitied the men that had to hold up that great "sounding-board," for that was its name.\*\*\*\* This sounding-board faithfully stood or hung, on duty with the same hand grasping it for about one-half a century. What is that trap door in the ceiling opening into the attic for?\*\*\*\*\* It used to be said that Captain Porter's artillery company kept their powder and balls up there; it certainly would be a safe place for there were no fires in the church in those days only what was carried in, in the old fashioned foot stoves.\*\*\* When the stove was first put in, the pipe ran out through a window, until it almost smoked people out, when it was properly placed through the roof."

"Uncle Zeekiel" has evidently given a faithful pen-picture of this old church, and it might well be applied to many others standing in New England at that period for the churches seem to have been largely built by a standard pattern.

In 1846 the church was remodeled and raised to make room for the vestry underneath, in order that the town might use the latter room for town meetings and here they were held for about forty years. At this time a belfry and bell were added. For many years the church bell was rung at noon. Until 1870 it was tolled to give the notice of a death, a custom which prevailed throughout New England. A succession of strokes, in tens, announced the age of the deceased. It was also tolled as the funeral procession neared the church.

Before the churches at Shelburne Falls were built, many families from the Buckland side of the river there, attended this church at the center. Then a long line of teams wended their way northward down meeting house hill at the end of the services for the day. If we look closely we shall see the Bentons, Townsleys, Colemans, Major Ira Arms with his sorrel horse, the Eddys, Ezra Sherwin, Abijah Thayer, Reuben Field, Lieu-

tenant Allis, Samuel Allis, all with their families, and also three families of Taylors.

The church has been the recipient of gifts and memorials. On June 12, 1887, Reverend Washington Nichols of Lake Forest, Ill., and formerly of Buckland, placed a memorial tablet in the church, bearing the inscription, "Mary Lyon, the founder of Mt. Holyoke Seminary, was born February 28, 1797; baptized in this church, March 20, 1822; died March 5, 1849."

Mr. Nichols was a pupil of Mary Lyon in the center district school. This church is a corporation, the charter being received on January 27, 1888.

On June 1, 1888, the family of the late Professor William F. Sherwin donated a musical library and immediately George B. Taylor built a case sufficiently large to store the same. It was ready for use on August 18, 1888. The two-manual organ was bought of Harry Blish in November 1930 and was one used by the late Mrs. Edwin Baker of Shelburne Falls in her home.

In the early spring and summer of 1884, a neat and attractive room was finished off in the vestry of the church, the work being made possible by the leadership and activities of Mrs. L. B. Ruddock and Mrs. Angelia Graham.

In 1908 the church was redecorated and memorial windows placed therein by relatives and friends of Professor W. F. Sherwin, Reverends Guild and Hodges, Deacons Trowbridge and John Porter, Mary Lyon and Samuel Taylor, 1st. At the completion of the work a rededication service was held.

In Reverend Hodges' Centennial address the list of ministers who have occupied this pulpit prior to his time was given, which see. The list since reads:

- 1881—1897. Alpheus C. Hodges
- 1897—1903. Edward A. Robinson
- 1904—1909. John D. Waldron
- 1910—1913. J. Van Kirk Wells
- 1913—1917. W. Moulton
- 1917—1918. Rev. Frank Stacy
- 1918—1922. Rev. B. S. Crosby
- 1922—1925. Rev. Samuel Rose
- 1925—1927. Rev. Emanuel Snow
- 1927—1933. Rev. Joseph Harrison
- 1933. Rev. John D. Waldron

THE CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION OF THE  
CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

While in Buckland, Reverend A. C. Hodges prepared material for an historical volume devoted to the churches of Buckland and which included these Centennial papers. After his removal from town all that compilation was accidentally burned, much to the dismay of Mrs. Hodges. A very interesting paper on the life of Mary Lyon was read at these exercises, prepared by Miss Louise Hodges, sister of Reverend A. C. Hodges, and a graduate of Mt. Holyoke College. Her paper appears under the account of Mary Lyon.

This report of the Centennial Celebration of the Buckland Congregational church is taken from the files of the Greenfield Gazette and Courier.

The Centennial of the Buckland Congregational church was held on Wednesday, October 7, 1885. The attendance was so great that at times, many were obliged to remain outside. Over three hundred were seated within. No small part of the day's pleasures consisted in the greetings and reminiscences of old friends and the little surprises with which the day abounded.

The singing was led by George B. Taylor, with Mrs. B. A. Orcutt at the organ, and a choir of more than twenty singers. Frederick Forbes was president of the day. The forenoon exercises opened with a congregational hymn composed for the occasion by Professor W. F. Sherwin. Scripture lesson from First Chronicles—16, read by Rev. Mr. Wadhams of Ashfield and it was recalled that this church's first minister, Rev. Jacob Sherwin, came from Ashfield. Prayer by Rev. Henry Seymour, the oldest representative of the County Conference.

A well worded address of welcome was given by Dr. J. Trow for thirty-five years a member of this church and for more than thirty years a teacher in its Sabbath school. He alluded to the formation of the church and declared that though its first three generations have passed from its worship "yet the old church remains, pure and grand as in the days of its fathers."—"It is the same church, its worshipers listen Sabbath after Sabbath to the same pure gospel as a hundred years ago. "He welcomed his hearers to the remembrances of the dear ones of the past and paid handsome tributes to Eli Gray, Uncle Barney Taylor and Dea. John Porter. After singing by the choir whose work throughout



the day and evening was excellently done, the historical address was read by the pastor Rev. A. C. Hodges.

The address of Deacon H. L. Warfield on "The Parish" told of its organization in 1820, the history of the Meeting house, both in its former shape and at present, description of the land it occupies, methods of raising funds for parish expenses, salaries of the successive pastors and many other interesting matters.

Mrs. R. H. Leavitt gave a full history of the Sabbath school. It was organized in 1818 with Deacon John Porter for Superintendent. Its lessons were taken directly from the Bible, with the Catechism for the young people. Mrs. Clarke's Infant school was described and the pleasure of the children in attending it recalled. Zur Hitchcock and Amos Shepard were early librarians and secretaries. The Union picnics were described and the Praise and Christian Concerts. The Superintendents were:

John Porter, Dea. Trowbridge, William Sherwin, Major Griswold, Dea. Bullard, Dr. J. Trow, Joseph Upton, Dr. N. G. Trow, Dr. J. Trow, Edwin Davis, Dea. Smead, Dea. Asahel Hawks, E. M. Smith, Deacons Forbes and Warfield, E. J. Stockwell and George A. Ham. The list of teachers was also given.

A paper was read by Miss Hodges on Mary Lyon which was a valuable and important contribution, and was heard with the closest attention.

A rich and bountiful dinner was served to the invited guests at the house of LeBarron Ruddock, which was very generously offered and accepted for this use. Besides this several hundred persons ate their own lunches at tables in the vestry, tea, coffee and fruit being furnished.

On re-assembling, prayer was offered by Rev. B. M. Frink of Shelburne and Professor Sherwin's centennial hymn, composed for the town's celebration six years ago, was sung by the choir and congregation. He followed with an impressive address full of tender reminiscences of the singers in Buckland. No country church within his observation has a better record for excellence in singing than this one. The religious element in its music has been very pure. It has sent out many successful teachers and leaders in music. Elias Taylor of Charlemont was one of the early teachers of singing schools here and Mr. White of Williamsburg, and "Uncle Levi" Taylor, Zenas Graham, Samuel Taylor, Jr., Jabez Brooks. Mr. Cobb of Cummington taught in 1826, and Levi Taylor, John Porter and Lucious Graham all held the position of chorister. Mr. Willey from Williams College taught in 1832. Luther Parker of Charlemont, a man of ability and genius, taught in 1837. The school that winter

was the largest in the history of this choir. For many years after that Buckland had a great number of singers who could read music better than any other town in Franklin County. At that time instrumental music became prominent in the church and for years there was regularly connected with the choir an effective orchestra, varying from three to seven or eight instruments.

The first step toward an organ was a melodeon, called a "Tip-up," blown by the right elbow, and facetiously termed a "buzzatoon." Other teachers were Mr. Clark of Windsor, in 1840; Mr. Hawks from Ohio; L. Childs Sanderson of Ashfield, Mr. Jenkins of Cummington, who with Mr. Andrews of Montague and Mr. Snow of Greenfield complete the list of teachers from abroad. During this time the regular teachers also gave more or less instruction at rehearsals.

There used to be a "Five O'clock Sing" on Sabbath afternoons which often attracted numbers of the best singers from neighboring towns.

Other leaders beside those already mentioned have been Lucius Graham, James B. Taylor, Ezra Howes, Sumner Bement, Dr. N. G. Trow, E. D. Bement, Dexter Atkins, Amos G. Shepard, Graham K. Ward, Frank Butler, Edwin Williams, Horace Taylor, Charles Howes, Mrs. Nellie Orcutt and George Taylor. The books used were also described. Noble tributes were paid to James B. Taylor, Lucius Graham and John Porter.

Remarks of much interest and real eloquence were made by Dr. Theron H. Hawks of Hartford Theological Seminary and Rev. Francis Williams of Chaplin Con., who first professed the Christian life before this church. Rev. E. Hitchcock gave hearty salutations from the Methodist church of this place and the afternoon service then closed.

In the evening a hymn composed for this use by Rev. Washington A. Nichols and which had been printed, was sung by the Congregation and then Rev. W. S. Clark, a son of the second pastor, gave an address full of reminiscence, and closed by reading a poem which he had written under the inspiration of this anniversary.

Miss Edwards, Associate Principal of Mount Holyoke, responded very gracefully and eloquently to the paper on Mary Lyon read in the morning, and won many friends for the Seminary by her cordial greeting. Letters were read from Rev. Mr. Nichols who had been one of the chief movers for this celebration and had shown great interest in all things pertaining to the history of this church; from Rev. Lothrop Taylor, an eminent and useful pastor for more than forty years; from Rev. James F. Clarke, son of the second pastor and missionary of the American Board in Bulgaria for



twenty-eight years, and from Horace Taylor of Canandaigua, N. Y., a former member. Varied votes of thanks were extended. The pastor requested the assistance of all friends in preparing a list and record of all members of this church, and in behalf of the Village Improvement Society called attention to the wants of the cemeteries in care and loving remembrance.

Fred H. Smith of Ashfield, a former member, as his father and grandfather were, spoke as representative of the County Conference of which he is the vice-president. Thus closed a day long to be remembered.

#### THE HISTORICAL ADDRESS OF REV. A. C. HODGES

The history of this Buckland Congregational church is linked to an eternity past and an eternity to come. Our interest in the past reaches back beyond the organization of this particular church. The ordinance of Christian baptism, the memorial supper, precious to all believers in Christ, and the day of sacred rest, which are the chief marks to distinguish the visible church, all direct our thought back from the world to the Word made flesh, who dwelt among men. Thence infinitely further back, where human thought cannot fathom, nor eternity's mysteries be comprehended.

Could we trace all the lines of progress along which the gospel has proceeded, and picture the various winding courses through which its blessings have come down through the ages from Calvary's mount of crucifixion and Bethany's mount of risen glory to our own quiet valleys and uneventful hills, we should then be but at the beginning of the knowledge of the Kingdom of God. For in all these past centuries Jehovah's mighty plan has been developing. In the first great conflict of the Light of the World with heathen darkness, the spiritual weapons of prayer and faith and the word of God prevailed more and more over opposing curses and unbelief and all the force of persecution's most horrible carnage. Then, when the ascendancy of the Christian profession was confirmed by the Roman states and the corruptions of ease and pleasure and ambition for office began to eat away the farthest limits of the then known world, established churches in Britain and Ireland. From these little islands went forth in the eighth and ninth centuries, mighty influences for the conversion and instruction of Germany, France, Italy and adjacent countries. The Irish universities educated missionaries by the thousands for the rest of the world. A little later, Wycliffe in England put the word of God into the hands of his countrymen. The Great Reformation began in France and Germany. But the Thirty Years'



War devastated protestant Germany and the massacre of St. Bartholomew's Day all but obliterated the protestantism of France. In the British Empire, however, the principles of that most powerful revival have made a vigorous growth. All its colonies have taken their tone and modeled their life more or less closely from the mother state, but the daughter which inherited most largely of the excellence of the mother's constitution, is New England. Founded on Bible study and godly living, these colonies were not planted to die. They were fed, like the fire which Bunyan's Pilgrim saw, with the oil of eternal grace. The savages, inspired by Jesuit hatred and Jesuit rum, attempted to force back their settlements from Northfield and this Deerfield valley; but the old story was told again in the defeat of moral darkness and the complete victory of advancing hosts of Christian occupation.

Thus through the expansive action of the conquering gospel was the way prepared for the settlement of this town and the establishment of Christian churches here.

The church records from 1786 to 1823 are what were collected from manuscripts kept by Deacon Taylor, Rev. Josiah Spaulding and Dea. Sherwin, and revised by Nathaniel Sherwin, Samuel Taylor, Lemuel Taylor, Jesse Pratt and John Porter. These pillars of righteousness were satisfied "from verbal testimony and concurring circumstances, that the Congregational Church of Christ in Buckland was embodied into a church state on a day either in the first or second week in October, A. D., 1785, at which solemnity the Rev. John Emerson was present and officiated." In accordance with the custom of churches then, a covenant was adopted, but no creed. Samuel Taylor was chosen Moderator and Lemuel Taylor clerk in August 1786. At the organization there were eighteen members. Down to the settlement of Pastor Spaulding, Oct. 15, 1794, fifty-three members in all had joined.

During those first nine years preaching seems to have been maintained with Rev. Jacob Sherwin of Ashfield, Rev. Jonathan Leavitt of Heath, and the occasional aid of neighboring pastors.

To this church, well started in its work, and with a meeting house just erected, came Rev. Josiah Spaulding in 1794. Mr. Joseph Griswold said of him, "A noble old man was he! I have in my day heard many of the noted preachers of this country, but none of them have inspired me with the respect I have for the memory of old Mr. Spaulding." Rev. Dr. Packard describes him as he looked in 1820, "His pitted face, his small, silver-haired head, his grave countenance, his moderate manner, his occasionally abrupt speech, and

his slow, solemn address in the pulpit" and says of his book on Universalism, which was written mainly in answer to Dr. Huntington, and published in 1805, "It contains an unanswerable refutation of the dangerous doctrine therein considered." This book was for many years in the list recommended in the Andover Theological course of study. When the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions was formed, and auxiliaries proposed in various countries, he invited the meeting for organization in this county to be held in Buckland and the offer was only declined because Greenfield was more central.

The next year, 1813, he preached a powerful missionary sermon at the meeting of the auxiliary in Shelburne with the theme, "The burden and heat of the day borne by the Jewish churches." Rev. H. Seymour has a copy of this sermon which was printed.

Of the twelve revivals which this church has enjoyed, four, including the greatest, occurred during the twenty-eight years of his ministry. We have time to speak of only one—the Clary Revival,—so called because a Captain Clary of Conway, with Deacon Nash, were active in prompting it. Preparation was made by visiting every house, two brethren going together, and praying and conversing with each person so far as practicable. The meetings began in early spring, and in November, ninety-nine united with the church. The farmers would go to day-time meetings, notwithstanding haying and harvesting. They came long distances to attend the sunrise meetings, and prayer meetings were held three times a day. "Yet," says Mrs. Bull, "for all that the time and attention of the people was so fully taken up in all these meetings, their farm work prospered as it never had done before, and strangers remarked upon the unusually fine appearance of the Buckland farms that summer."

The work of caring for these young converts was not to rest on Father Spaulding. His good fight was fought, and in May 1823, he went home to his reward. At the close of his ministry, the church had received 228 members, perhaps more, for the records may be defective for those early years. Among those received for membership was John Porter, an adopted son of Nathan Batchelder. Mrs. Barnard of Shelburne says of him, "I well remember his interest in young peoples' meetings in our school house in 1808. He never seemed to lose his interest in the young, and as he advanced in years his interest seemed to extend to the welfare of the whole community. His interest gave us what finally became our Sunday school. It was before 1819 that he came to my father and requested the use of our kitchen Sabbath noons,



to invite our young people to attend to some select reading that would interest and be useful to them and keep them from so much idle conversation during the long Sabbath noons. He gave him leave and both sexes soon became interested. After a while he turned it into a Bible class and gave out topics from the Bible which involved considerable investigation of the scriptures. This finally resulted in a regularly organized Sabbath school. The Lord has raised up many good workers in the Sabbath school since that, but thanks be to God for the labors of Deacon John Porter." This last sentiment was most heartily expressed also by Hon. Bushnell White and Joseph Griswold. The former said of the deacon's "Tuning-fork," "He will not need it on the other side. His goodness and honesty, his love and labor for his fellow men will rightly pitch his voice to the melody of heaven." And Mr. Griswold exclaimed, "Oh! I revere the memory of Mr. Forbes and Mr. Porter! They did more to lift the young men from ignorance to information than any others I ever knew." He and Joseph Flower Griswold, who joined this church in 1799, each having been elected to the state Senate, were entitled to be called "Honorable." Elijah Thayer, who joined in 1816, went to Williams College and then to Andover Seminary, was called one of the best Greek scholars of his time. Silas Trowbridge, deacon of this church for many years, also joined in 1816, and is believed to be the oldest living member. Mellowing and ripening in the growing radiance of eternity, may he long be spared to comfort and bless his many friends. Of Mary Lyon who joined in 1822, more will be said by another. She seems to have been the most earnest christian worker ever connected with this church. Abner Taylor joined in 1822 when nineteen years old. Having given himself to the Lord he wished to be as useful as possible, and began to prepare for the ministry. He graduated at Amherst in 1830. It seemed best that he should teach, and until he died in 1832 he gave great promise of excellence in that calling. The year before his death he established a select school at Dunkirk, N. Y., and engaged W. A. Nichols to take his place in two years that he might enter the Seminary, but his further studies were not prosecuted on earth.

Mr. Nichols joined in 1829, Francis Williams in 1830, Lebbeus R. Phillips in 1831, Lathrop Taylor in 1832, Theron H. Hawks in 1840, Milford C. Butler and William F. Sherwin in 1842, Abner F. Sherwin in 1852. Thirty-three years have passed since one joined this church and took up the work of a gospel preacher.

Returning to our narrative, we have noted the main facts



of Mr. Spaulding's ministry with some of their consequences and following developments.

Rev. Benjamin F. Clark was ordained pastor of this church Feb. 4, 1824. The sermon on that occasion was preached by Rev. Charles Jenkins of Greenfield. Mary Lyon boarded in his family some of the time she taught here and her school formed part of his congregation. During the last year of her school here, in 1830, a female prayer meeting was maintained, principally by young ladies. This meeting had much to do with commencing a revival the following year. It prepared the way for the success of the four days meeting, August 2-5, 1831. Rev. Lathrop Taylor says this meeting was thronged by people of all ages. Within a few weeks there were a large number of conversions. Rev. Mr. Clark was dismissed May 2, 1839. Rev. Packard says he was a devout and godly man, a faithful preacher and a diligent laborer in the Lord's vineyard. During his ministry 113 united with this church.

Rev. Preston Cummings was installed here December 31, 1839, and dismissed just eight years later. During his ministry the church was remodeled and enlarged. Hoyt Smith was the directing carpenter. During the eight years of Mr. Cummings ministry ninety-three joined the church—forty-seven in the year 1842. The cause of this revival, humanly speaking, was mainly the powerful effect of Mr. Cumming's preaching, with the faithfulness of his life. He was ready to speak with every one in town whenever opportunity was given and did not neglect to visit those who neglected the church. After leaving Buckland he lived at Holden, where he died April 8, 1875, aged 75. There he compiled a Dictionary of Congregational Usages and Terms, which has had a wide circulation and has been very useful. He partly supported himself by antiquarian purchases and sales and by the sale of his book.

There were three revivals during Mr. Smith's ministry of which the most powerful was in 1856. Then as he expresses it, the whole town was shaken. That year twenty-nine joined the church. In 1851 it was voted to have a prayer meeting once a month. Apparently there had been prayer meetings once in two months before this, perhaps the preparatory service before communion. Perhaps this increase of prayer prepared the way for increase of spirituality in the church and community. Previous to one revival Mr. Smith called on every family in the parish and conversed and prayed with the individuals. He was much beloved and revered by his people and his talents were respected by all, though non-church goers opposed his work.

In 1850 fifteen members from this church, with eleven from Shelburne Falls and thirty-one from various other

churches united to form the church at Shelburne Falls. Notwithstanding that loss, however, in membership this church more than held its own, having at one time the third place among the Congregational churches of the County.

Mr. Smith was dismissed by a council, May 17, 1859. He resided in Rocky Hill, Ct., for some years, and has now taken charge of a new church in Sherwood, Tenn. More than \$100 was sent him by special contributions from friends here this spring, toward purchasing for them the building in which the church has been worshipping.

Rev. Charles Lord was installed here March 29, 1860. His father was Rev. Henry Lord of Williamsburg, Mass. Just twelve years later he died of pneumonia while on a visit to New York City. The above statements are on the authority of Rev. A. N. Colton who preached his funeral sermon at Easthampton. A memorial service was also held here, the sermon being preached by Rev. H. Seymour, his classmate in College. In spite of his weak eyes and bodily infirmities, he accomplished a great deal of work while here. For twelve years he was a member of the Conference committee on Home Evangelization and was its chairman for the last four or five years. In that capacity he was active in promoting more thorough christian labor in all the towns in the county. He was very social and did a great deal for the young people. Some gladdened his heart by accepting Christ during his ministry but more followed under his successor.

After him came a year of inter-regnum, in which the Methodists and Congregationalists worshipped together. Then it was thought best to secure a pastor, though there were only seventy resident members, and the right man was found in Rev. Charles L. Guild, educated at Amherst College and Bangor Seminary and formerly a missionary in Kansas, and more recently a pastor in Maine. He seemed perfectly adapted by preparation and experience to the work to be carried on here. Some hearts were never touched as under his ministry, and the large congregations which greeted his beginning remained steadfast with gradually awakening interest until the revival of 1876. Faithful work had for some time been going on in the Sunday school. A "Horse-Shed" class was formed of those who had not been in the habit of attending Sunday school regularly. Soon it became two classes and interest in the lessons was surely growing. Fellowship meetings had been begun in this conference in 1870. At one of these, then called a "Relay" meeting, held in Ashfield in the fall of 1876, one from Buckland seeking pardon and salvation rose for prayers. Immediately Brother Guild was at his side and brought him safely to the Saviour. Quickly following that meeting others were held



in Buckland. The seed sown in tears had sprung up and grown, men knew not how; and now, being ripe for the harvest, it was reaped with joy.

Of our history since 1881 when Brother Guild went to Charlemont and your choice fell upon an inexperienced young man who wanted to have things right and hoped the Lord would forgive his blunders, there is not much for me to say. The church has made progress during the last century and the millennium certainly seems nearer. More Christians are at work and they are doing more in some directions than ever before. If we see where we can do more in other directions, let us be about it. If the church today is lame in any member, "In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk."

#### REV. A. C. HODGES

Concerning Reverend Alpheus Clark Hodges, the author of the Centennial address given at the one hundredth anniversary of the founding of the Congregational church, his sister, Miss Louise Hodges wrote:

He was born in Brighton, a suburb of Rochester, N. Y., Feb. 1, 1853. His parents were of old New England stock, having among their ancestors Roger Williams and Samuel Whiting, the first pastor of the Congregational church in Salem, Mass. (Note. Rev. Samuel Whiting reached Boston, New England, May 26, 1636; went to the church in Lynn in June and was formally over the Church there, November 8, 1636, remaining until his death in 1679.)

Mr. Hodges had his early education in the schools of Rochester, and one year at the University there, but later was graduated from Yale University in the class of 1877, and from the Hartford Theological Seminary in May 1881.

In June of that year he went to Buckland to preach, was called to be pastor of the Congregational church and ordained the following October.

In August he set up his home in the house then known as the "Cap'n Richmond place," with his sister who had graduated in June from Mount Holyoke, as house-keeper, and a great aunt, Mrs. Sally Gillett, herself the wife of a minister for sixty years, as its honored head.

The first social event was a surprise party to which the whole town seemingly came to extend a welcome and greetings to the new pastor and his family. They filled the rooms and lined the walls, for the furniture coming by freight had not yet arrived, and it was a "Stand-up" party. But every one was smiling and friendly, the ladies served refreshments,



the band played on the lawn, and in the words of the local paper, "A good time was enjoyed by all."

Then began busy, happy years. Mr. Hodges was a man of vision. He saw vast possibilities in a country church and with enthusiasm and zeal began to develop them. In this he had the co-operation of a loyal, devoted people. There were a number of isolated communities in town, whose people seldom attended church; so the church services were brought to them. For a number of years the weekly prayer meetings were conducted in the school houses of these districts. One night, "Over East," one at the North school house, one at High street, one at Four Corners. These meetings were well attended and much enjoyed and resulted in many additions to the church.

In the words of one who later succeeded him in the Buckland pulpit, "His attitude toward the Community was that of a shepherd. His heart cared for the stray ones, his activities brought him often into their homes and the church had a part in their lives to perform. He had the same thought of the churches—they were to minister to the entire territory, not alone to their own membership. In the vision of what was needed to be done, was a place for co-operation between the churches and fellowship in Christian work."

To this end were organized the "Deerfield Valley Christian Endeavor Union," and the Sunday School Union which brought the churches of the county together for Conferences at which methods for better work were discussed, experiences exchanged, and speakers from "outside" brought messages of spiritual uplift and practical suggestion which proved of value to the many who attended.

Realizing the difficulty of farmers and their wives getting away for much needed vacations, Mr. Hodges was instrumental in starting the Chautauqua at Laurel Park, Northampton. There people could come for two or three days or longer, at little cost, and hear lectures and concerts and enjoy social hours together. That this opportunity for rest and relaxation was appreciated, was shown in the crowds that attended.

He was also one of the founders of the Connecticut Valley Congregational Club and was for a time its secretary.

In 1884 occurred the one hundredth anniversary of the Buckland church at which many interesting papers were read. There was one on Mary Lyon.

In 1887 Mrs. Gillett attained her one hundredth birthday. Such an unusual event seemed to require recognition so three hundred invitations went out for a birthday reception. It was the middle of March, the roads were "Breaking up" which meant bad going, but more than two hundred called to pay their respects and offer congratulations to the little

lady in her black silk dress and white lace cap, who received her guests with smiling composure and dignity. Two months later, Mrs. Gillett died, leaving a bequest of two thousand dollars to the Buckland church which was used to buy the minister's house for a parsonage.

I think it was in 1887 or 89 that Fourth of July was celebrated by having a "sugar eat on snow" in a deep gorge above the old Jim Avery place. Snow had remained unusually long. This the men brought down in slabs which were deposited at the proper time in Asahel Hawk's grove. People came from the towns about to enjoy the unusual treat. The band played, there were speeches, then the warm syrup was brought around dropped on the snow and the resultant gooey mass was fit for the Gods.

During these years the Farmer's Club was flourishing. The meetings every two weeks at the homes of different members were delightful social events. Papers were read on phases of farm or home life, there were discussions and a good dinner. At one of these meetings Mr. Hodges spoke on the advantages to the community of having a library easily accessible. He presented so many arguments in its favor that Mr. LeBarron Ruddock said, "I'd like to help in that." As a result the very attractive library at Buckland Center was built and dedicated in 1890. Mr. Ruddock furnished the money for the building and Mr. Hodges put in one thousand of his choicest books. It was considered a model library for a small town and attracted wide attention throughout the state.

It was about 1890 that Mr. Hodges began the publication of a small paper called *Our Country Church* and devoted to the interests of such churches. It carried wholesome reading matter into many of the out of the way homes. The paper was so well received that there was a call for local editions, in which Mr. Hodges furnished the inner pages of general reading matter and the church or county the local items. The plan worked well. There were four of them at least. One the *Mt. Hor Herald* of Rochester, N. Y. was of great help in building up a newly organized church. Another *The Berkshire Evangel*, was carried on some years after Mr. Hodges' death. Mr. Hodges was married May 4, 1893, to Elinor Redfern Squire of Ashmont, Mass. She was daughter of Rev. Mr. Squire who for some years had been pastor at Warwick; and very helpful to her husband throughout his career.

A wedding reception was given them May 19 at the pleasant and commodious home of Mrs. L. B. Ruddock.

After this my knowledge of Buckland was gained from correspondence only. Mr. Hodges left the Buckland church



in the fall of 1897. He loved his people and had given them of his very best. In 1898 he accepted a call to Canaan, N. Y., and labored there faithfully until his death, December 24, 1906 at the age of 53. He had suffered from ill health for two years, but continued his arduous duties as pastor and editor until a few months before his demise. The tributes delivered at the funeral by clergymen who had long known him and of his work, showed that he was loved and honored beyond the ordinary, not only by members of his own profession, but by many to whom he had been an inspiration and aid.

The Congregationalist, commenting upon his death, said, "He was a man of pronounced scholarly and literary instincts and a singleminded consecrated Christian."

When the Buckland church was renovated sometime during that decade, three memorial windows were put in. One of these was for Mr. Hodges.

#### THE BAPTIST CHURCHES

A history of the Baptist people in Buckland is closely linked to and interwoven with those of the neighboring town of Ashfield. As early as 1780 Enos Smith lived at High Street and seemed to be the leader in this sect. His father, Chileab Smith, a man of indomitable will, was first at South Hadley, but on account of religious differences there, pushed on to the new territory of Huntstown, now Ashfield, to help populate that section. Being a very strong Baptist, he, with others, soon formed a church body, eight of the members being from his own family.

In 1763 the Congregational people of Ashfield settled a minister, who, in accordance with the prevailing custom, was supported by the entire town. Hence the Baptists were compelled to pay a portion of his settlement and salary until 1768. In 1771 after Chileab Smith had appealed eight times to the General Court for help—and got none—the Baptists were freed from this custom, being absolved by order of the King of England.

A church was built on the hill at Baptist Corner about 1775, nearly opposite the so-called Baptist Corner Burying Ground. A small stone tablet erected about thirty years ago, marks the location. This church flourished until 1785 when trouble arose between Elder Ebenezer Smith and his father Chileab. Enos Smith as Scribe, wrote a detailed account of this family disturbance, when Elder Ebenezer Smith thought that he should





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MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH



ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH



BUCKLAND CENTER BAPTIST CHURCH  
AND GRAHAM HALL

Made by Pindar Cooley between 1853-1856

have a fixed salary for his service and his father Chileab insisted that ministers should preach because called of God and be satisfied with whatever the church saw fit to pay. As a result Chileab with his son Enos and quite a large following, mostly Buckland people, withdrew.

The early records state that the Church of Christ of the Baptist order in Ashfield, being by proper appointment met together at the house of Jotham Forbes in Buckland on Wednesday, July 29, 1789, at nine o'clock in the morning, after singing and solemn prayer to Almighty God, made a choice of Elder Adam Hamilton for moderator and Elder Enos Smith for scribe. The brethren in Buckland were called upon "to give their minds" concerning building a church in Buckland, viz.:

Manasseh French	William Putnam
Nathan Shaw	Samuel Lindsey
Rufus Cook	Lemuel Blackmer
Josiah Leonard	Joseph Cross
Stephen Lindsey	

and Sisters

Priscilla Lindsey	Submit Putnam
Mehitable Flower	Lurany Leonard
Sarah May	Anna Lindsey Jr.
Hannah French	Anna Lindsey
Zilpha Lindsey	Phebe Forbes
Bertha Blackmer	Eunice Lindsey

These persons entered into a solemn covenant relation as a Church of Jesus Christ of the Baptist Order and the articles of faith and practice were read and consented to by them. Discussion followed as to the erection of a church. As a result they built on the late Nelson Drake place, only a few rods north of the Ashfield line. This was a one story structure with a four-sided pointed roof and apparently was only used about seven years.

The early Baptists seem to have been very rigid in matters of discipline as the following extracts from the records attest. On August 28, 1798, Samuel Annable was reproved for communing with the people called Methodists. November 21, 1798 the church voted that the Methodists should not have the meeting house to meet in. Whether this was the Baptist Corner church or the

one over the line in Buckland does not appear. June 21, 1801, the church voted unanimously that they could not commune with Elisha Smith while he joins with the free masons, or in other words they cannot fellowship with him in his present standing. Smith afterwards came back, acknowledging the error of his ways.

The two churches remained separated about seven years. In 1796 it was voted to "remove our meetings to the church back on the hill." A meeting was called for January 1798 to confer with Elder Ebenezer Smith, concerning which the following vote is found:

1<sup>ly</sup>. Voted that the matter subsisting between Elder Ebenezer Smith and Deacon Isaac Shepard is settled in the Gospel.

2<sup>ly</sup>. Voted that we do forgive Elder Ebenezer Smith for his making his stand and leaving the church as he did in December, 1785, as he has now confest it to be wrong and asked forgiveness for it.

On January 23, 1798, the church voted that they receive those members that went away from the church with Elder Ebenezer Smith upon their return and taking up their withdrawal, also all others that have joined his church.

Chileab and Enos Smith, with their following, now went back to the house on the hill from which they had seceded, Enos acted as minister, Ebenezer resigned and moved to New York state. Elder Enos Smith continued to preach in this church until into the 1820's.

In 1799 (Chapter 62 of the Acts of the General Court) appears the following: "An act to incorporate a number of the inhabitants of the towns of Ashfield and Buckland, in the County of Hampshire, into a religious society, by the name of 'The United Baptist Church and Society in Ashfield and Buckland.'" This appears in its entirety in C. E. Ward's historical address.

From this date until 1828 when the Baptist society built a church at Buckland center, the Buckland Baptists worshipped at Baptist Corner. The list of members when the church was incorporated in 1799 contains the names of the Chileab Smith family, also Aaron Lyon, Mary Lyon's father, and her mother's family, the Shepards. Many of these Buckland people were from the east part of the town.



## THE SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH

The Second Baptist church was organized at Buckland, August 26, 1828, when a constitution was adopted. At a meeting held on Friday, November 21, 1828, Reverend O. Martin was chosen moderator, William Putnam and Harris Wight, deacons, and Dr. Lawson Long, clerk. The members were:

Lawson Long  
N. Townsley  
Silas Smith  
Dency Farnum  
Elmira Wight  
Freelove Lyon  
Hannah Clark  
Daniel Putnam  
Heman Farnum  
Joseph Fuller  
Frances Smith  
Lurane Putnam  
Betsey Johnson

William Putnam  
Harris Wight  
Mantor Ware  
Sarah Eddy  
Betsey Brackett  
Mrs. Mantor Ware  
Alice May  
Oliver May  
William Farnum  
Melinda Fuller  
Rachael Woodward  
Lovina Putnam  
Mary Farnum

Sally Eddy

November 1, 1830, the records state that the first meeting was held to take into consideration the expediency of building a Baptist Meeting House in Buckland. "Voted to Build. Voted Dr. Long, Samuel Taylor, Jr., and William Putnam act as a building committee." Later Esq. (Japhet) Chapin's and Alvah Lazell's names were added. On December 3, the committee accepted the plan of a house prepared by Joseph Griswold who built the church, which was completed January 16, 1832, "Without one unpleasant circumstance betwixt those who built it." The cost was \$1,166.24. This Baptist church stood just west of Mrs. Samuel Taylor's residence, and was the first in town to have a belfry and bell. A list of those who gave money for the building of the church and the amounts contributed may be found in the old original record book which is to be placed in the Buckland Public Library. This book was in the possession of the late William Othniel Taylor and with other valuable data of his was given to the town of Buckland.

There were about one hundred and three members taken into the church during its existence of thirty-nine years. Clesson's River was used for immersions, at first a little below the fork

of the road north of Charles Shedd's residence, later by Elmer's mill. The church was represented in the Association until September 1859. In 1868 the property was given to the Baptist Society in Ashfield, the church building taken down and moved to Ashfield Plain where it is still used as a place of worship.

#### PASTORS

The pastors who served this second Baptist church here were:

Linus Austin, dismissed April 26, 1829.

James M. Coley, settled May or June, 1830; dismissed 1833.

Brother Benjamin F. Remington, as early as May 1834; dismissed February 3, 1836.

Amherst Lamb.

John K. Price, settled November 7, 1838.

Alden B. Egleston, settled July 1, 1843; dismissed March 7, 1847.

Perley P. Sanderson, settled August 15, 1847; dismissed August 3, 1851.

Brother James Parker, settled June 5, 1852.

James Clark, settled May 1 to November 5, 1853.

#### THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL SOCIETY

A clipping from an old scrapbook reads: "The Methodists contemplated building a house of worship at the base of Hog Mountain." There many grove meetings were held and Mr. Preston Warfield, living on a part of the old Ward grant, says that the old stone used as a pulpit there, is still to be seen in its original location, on his farm. There is no date known earlier than 1820 for these meetings, though very probably they might have been held before that time. Edward Forbes' home on High Street was, for many years, the transient home of the traveling preachers. It is an interesting fact that his brother Jotham Forbes' house was the first meeting place for the Baptist people in Buckland and illustrates the difference of religious opinion often held by members of the same family.

Preaching was also held in the east school house at an early date. On the third of April 1828, a meeting was held with Reverend John Lackey in the chair, and Reverend John Parker acting as secretary. At this it was unanimously voted to build a house

of worship and Eliphaz Woodward, Levi Sprague, Jonathan Yeomans, Alexander Ward, James Clark, Jr., Cale Pelton and Oliver Rawson were chosen a building committee. This building stood where is now the house of Dean Fairbanks.

After being finished but before dedication, a kettle of coals was placed within the structure to aid in drying out the plaster. A fire ensued and the building very narrowly escaped total destruction. This house was used as a place of worship until 1849 when it was taken down, and in 1850 a fine meeting house built where the library now stands, on land leased from Josiah W. Griswold. From Reverend A. C. Hodges' article in the Centennial edition of the Greenfield Gazette and Courier it is learned that "the next year witnessed an extensive revival as the result of which a large number of people were received on probation. \* \* \* \* The list of full members in 1851 included seventy-four names. The whole number from 1851 to 1885 was one hundred and seventy-four. Between 1860 and 1865, considerable accessions were received in consequence of troubles in the Congregational church. In 1872 it was agreed to worship with the Congregationalists, the latter furnishing the meeting house and the former the minister, who was Reverend John Cadwell. At the expiration of a year, separate meetings were resumed, the minister from Shelburne Falls coming to Buckland for a part of the Sabbath. About 1887 preaching was discontinued, and in consequence the property reverted to the lessor, Josiah W. Griswold. Appended is a list of the ministers who served this society.

#### PASTORS

Rev. Ibri Cannon  
Rev. Moses Ammadon  
Rev. John Parker  
Rev. Ziba Leonard  
Rev. William Gordon  
Rev. Leonard Frost  
Rev. Moses Palmer  
Rev. Orrin Pier  
Rev. Robert Travis  
Rev. Hiram H. White  
Rev. Erastus Otis  
Rev. — Oakes  
Rev. Proctor Marsh  
Rev. A. G. Bolles

Rev. John Nixon  
Rev. Alexander Hulin  
Rev. Joel Knight  
Rev. Windsor Ward  
Rev. William Taylor  
Rev. Henry S. Shedd  
Rev. George E. Chapman  
Rev. Samuel Avery  
Rev. Elias Crawford  
Rev. Noble Shepard  
Rev. Daniel Greaves  
Rev. E. K. Avery  
Rev. George W. Greene  
Rev. M. Leffingwell



Rev. Henry Hatfield	Rev. John J. Matthias
Rev. J. B. Husted	Rev. John Lackey
Rev. William Todd	Rev. Philo Hawks
Rev. Otis Wilder	Rev. Simon Pike
Rev. C. C. Barnes	Rev. S. Drake
Rev. Porter R. Sawyer	Rev. Homer W. Clark
Rev. Solomon W. Johnson	Rev. Austin F. Herrick

THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH AT SHELBURNE FALLS,  
BUCKLAND SIDE

BY MRS. PEARL BETTCHER

The Methodist Society existed many years as a fractional part of a large circuit, and consequently had no separate records. The exact date of the formation of the church cannot be ascertained, but it is as early probably as 1820, if not earlier. However, records do show that in October 1842, it was definitely organized and the church had twelve members and met regularly. The meetings were held at the various houses and occasionally in a barn when a larger meeting place was needed.

From 1842 until 1850 the church was served by the following men:

Reverend Messrs. G. W. Green, Homer W. Clark, A. A. Cooke, Windsor Ward, William Taylor, Solomon W. Cushman, T. G. Bowles, W. W. Johnson.

In the winter of 1850 a revival was held with the result that the membership was trebled and it was resolved to make an effort to build a church and obtain a regular minister from conference. In answer to their request, April 1851, the New England Conference sent the Reverend William Butler to be the first resident minister. He afterwards became the first Methodist missionary to India and Mexico.

January 1, 1852, the first church was dedicated. This church was of typical early New England architecture, and was located where the Buckland town hall now stands. It would seat about four hundred people.

At this time the membership had increased to seventy persons, had a Sunday school of eighty-five scholars, ten officers and teachers, also a library of two hundred and fifty volumes.

Later, under financial stress, this church was elevated and rooms for stores placed underneath. This building was burned

in the fire of 1876. A new building was dedicated on the same location, January 1877, which was used until October 1906, when it was sold to the town for a town hall.

Church membership having increased, in 1905 it was a unanimous vote to sell the present church building and purchase the property known as the Woodward House, and adjoining land. The house formerly used as a hotel, was to be used as a parsonage, and the lot at the corner of Ashfield and Clemons Streets was to be used for the site of the church.

Through the untiring efforts of the pastor, at that time the Reverend Thomas C. Martin, the present church was built. On Sunday, October 8, 1905, consecration and ground breaking services were held and December 6, 1905, the parsonage and parish house were dedicated.

May 10, the corner stone of the church was laid and October 18, 1906, the church was dedicated, free from debt. The bell was given by George D. Crittenden. Andrew Carnegie gave \$750 toward the pipe organ and in 1908 that was installed, free of debt.

The celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the new building was delayed from October 1931 until January 1932 and was celebrated in a fitting manner.

The present membership of the church is one hundred and fifty.

#### PASTORS

The following ministers have served the church from 1850 until now:

William Butler	F. M. Miller
John Burke	E. C. Ferguson
— Hemingway	F. S. Rogers
Philander Wallingford	Elwin Hitchcock
George B. Cargill	C. R. Sherman
Lewis Fish	H. H. Paine
L. R. S. Brewster	W. M. Cassidy
G. H. Gaylord	B. J. Johnson
J. W. Lee	H. G. Noon
M. M. Weden	H. G. Alley
G. D. Bell	W. E. Morse
D. K. Merrill	H. S. Dow
E. J. Moore	T. C. Martin
C. H. Vinton	Charles W. Simpson

E. W. Virgin	George O. Crosby
J. W. Fenn	Francis W. Brett
J. M. Avann	Leonard L. Beaman
W. H. Cook	Elisha Hooper
W. J. Parkinson	Ernest C. Widenhouse
W. H. Atkinson	Lois E. Whitchurch
W. S. Gagger	Reginald D. Nichols
Newton S. Sweezy	

### SAINT JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Arranged by EDWARD JOYCE

"In the middle of the nineteenth century Catholic pioneers settled in Shelburne Falls, then a growing village with adjacent communities. Previous and up to the year 1858 Catholics were growing in numbers. At that time there was a Catholic constituency variously estimated at between one hundred and two hundred souls. The spiritual wants of the early Catholics were supplied by the ministrations of Reverend Father O'Sullivan, at that time located in Holyoke. The services took place in the home of some parishioner, most often in the house of John Meehan on School Street. At a later period, in 1860, when Northampton was made a permanent parish and its first pastor, the Reverend B. V. Moyce was appointed, he was delegated by the Bishop of Boston to care for the spiritual needs of all Catholics living in the surrounding towns and villages. Shelburne Falls was included in his territory and the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass was offered with greater regularity than ever before.

When the Civil War was declared, the village of Shelburne furnished its quota of men. Many of the early pioneers of the Faith in Shelburne Falls responded to President Lincoln's call for volunteers in 1861. They included the following parishioners of Saint Joseph's parish:

John Murphy, Michael Murphey, John Sheehan, Anthony Liddy, William Meehan, Robert Sheedy, Edward P. Nally, Michael D. Shea, Edward Ritchie, Thomas Joyce, Stephen Ford, John Sullivan, Michael Atkins, John Tracy, Marcus Hennebury, Thomas Fitzgerald, Michael Kelley, Patrick Sweeney, William Hennebury and Hiram Call.

After the war ceased conditions righted themselves. The Reverend B. V. Moyce continued to minister to the little band



of worshipers in and around Shelburne Falls. A Sunday school for the instruction of the children of the parish was established. In the absence of the pastor the Sunday school was presided over by John Meehan. He was assisted by Catholic laymen including William O'Brien, Joseph Kramer, Thomas H. Short and John Kriser. Mr. Kriser and Mr. Kramer were among the early German Catholic emigrants to this community.

Greenfield was set aside as a parish in 1866 and the Reverend Henry L. Robinson became the first pastor of what is now called the Holy Trinity parish. The Catholics of Shelburne Falls were placed under his jurisdiction. His successors in the following years were the Reverend P. L. Quaille, the Reverend Father McManus, the Reverend W. A. Hennebury and the Reverend Jeremiah McCarthy. Father McCarthy began the task of building a church in Greenfield. After his death his successor, the Reverend Mark Purcell completed it.

In 1883 the French speaking people of Colrain petitioned the Bishop of Springfield for a resident priest and the Reverend John F. Lee was sent to administer to them. He took up his residence in Shelburne Falls and during his pastorate a small frame church was built in Griswoldville, a part of Colrain. In 1884 the Greenfield parish was divided and Saint Joseph's in Shelburne Falls was set off as a distinct parish with Father Lee as its first pastor. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass was offered every Sunday for a considerable period of time in the Odd Fellows' Hall, Buckland.

In 1885 Father Lee was succeeded by the Reverend J. A. LeGris. Father LeGris remained in charge until 1887 when he was succeeded by the Reverend C. H. Jeannotte, now pastor of Notre Dame parish in North Adams. During Father Jeannotte's pastorate, due to the fact that the Odd Fellows needed more room in their own building, Mass was not offered in their Hall after Easter of 1888. Whitney Hall in the rear of the Shelburne Falls House was then rented for Sunday Mass. At this time the parish showed a marked growth as the people were staunch in the Faith which was their heritage. Father Jeannotte decided that the time had come when the parish should have its own church. Through the generosity of the parishioners funds totaling \$2,500 were raised to make the undertaking possible. A lot was purchased on Munroe Avenue and work on the present

building was started. George Merrill, a prominent contractor at the time, built the stone foundation from which the wooden structure was to rise. Work progressed favorably and on December 2, 1888, Mass was offered for the first time in the present church.

During the early years of the parish the Rectory was at several locations,—The Powers house on Williams Street—the house on Ashfield Street now occupied by Fred Connelly—the Thomas Turton residence on Ashfield Street directly opposite the Crittenden school. During the pastorate of the Reverend Wilfred Balthasard the present Rectory adjoining the church property was built.

Father Jeannotte was transferred to Fitchburg in November 1890, and the Reverend Joseph D. Allard, named as his successor, remained in charge until February 1893. While Father Allard was in charge he began the work of caring for the spiritual needs of the Catholics living in the township of Rowe. At this time Masses were said on alternate Sundays at Shelburne Falls and Conway and every Sunday in Griswoldville. The Reverend Wilfred Balthasard came as parish priest in February 1893 and remained as pastor until the month of April 1899. He was succeeded by the Reverend James T. Galvin. The work of the parish has been carried on through the intervening years by the Reverend M. A. Desrochers (January 1900-January 1904), the Reverend A. G. Brousseau (February 1904-October 1904), the Reverend L. Geoffroy (October 1904-October 1905), the Reverend Edward L. Judge (October 1905-April 1913), the Reverend Dennis P. Sullivan (April 1913-November 1919), the Reverend John C. McMahon (Administrator from November 1919 until March 1920), the Reverend John Keating (March 1920-October 1926), the Reverend John Foran (October 1926-July 1930), the Reverend Charles L. Foley (July 1930-July 1933), and the Reverend John F. Reilly (July 1933—).

Since the pastorate of the late Father Judge a curate has been assigned to the parish. The priests of Shelburne Falls now minister to the spiritual needs of the Catholic people residing in Colrain, Charlemont, Hawley, Heath, Rowe, Zoar and the outlying districts bordering on these townships as well as in Shelburne Falls. This territory comprises approximately 365 square miles. There is a chapel—Saint Christopher's—in Charlemont in addition

to the churches at Shelburne Falls and Griswoldville. Mass is offered in Hawley every other Sunday from the first of May until the winter season makes the roads impassable. The services are conducted in an old church, which is used by the Protestant people, and is situated in East Hawley. During his pastorate Father Sullivan purchased an unused Protestant church in Charlemont for a chapel and Father Keating completed its renovation to meet the requirements for Catholic worship. In the fall of 1933, the number of souls under the jurisdiction of the pastor of Shelburne Falls was 1412.

Under the present schedule two Masses are offered each Sunday in Griswoldville, one in Shelburne Falls, and one in Charlemont and Hawley alternate Sundays except in the winter months, when the second Mass is said in Saint Joseph's, Shelburne Falls.

During 1936 under the direction of Father Reilly, changes were made in the interior of Saint Joseph's church at a cost of about \$5,000. Remodeling of the sanctuary, installation of a new lighting system and complete redecoration, together with the donation of numerous memorial gifts, have resulted in the church being made one of the most attractive of its size in the diocese. Improvements were also made in the mission churches at Griswoldville and Charlemont.

In the summer of 1935, Father Reilly was transferred to a newly-formed parish at Worcester and was succeeded by Reverend Michael Lahey, the present pastor, who has as his curate, Reverend Thomas Pierce.

Next year, 1938, will mark the the 50th anniversary of the building of Saint Joseph's church. The parish, which covers the largest territory of any in the diocese, has flourished during its first half-century as succeeding generations have carried on the faith."

In the above account Saint Joseph's church is spoken of as of Shelburne Falls but those unfamiliar with the locations there should bear in mind that it is situated on the Buckland side of the river in the village of Buckland, located at the falls and that it serves equally the people of the towns.





## CHAPTER

# 10

## SCHOOLS

*The foundation of every state is the education of its youth. The Common School is the greatest discovery ever made by man.*

THIS account of the Buckland schools was prepared for and read by Mrs. Fannie S. Kendrick at the Sesqui-Centennial celebration. Because the school history deserves extended notice it has seemed wise to give it as an independent chapter. It is here slightly changed from its original presentation. The wide research made for material for the town history has brought forth additional information which is herein included or appended.

"About two months ago, the Chairman of this committee asked me if I would present a paper at this time on the Buckland schools. When asked if he wanted me to go back to the beginning, he stated that the town records were all burned in 1876 and that it would be impossible to get much information prior to that date.

On thinking the matter over, I became convinced that my only hope of establishing early facts was to go to the older residents and glean from them those interesting bits of information which I am now going to pass on to you—and let me say that they have shown splendid co-operation. Mr. Deane Avery of Greenfield has spent hours of his valuable time in searching deeds and records. I believe that I am stating the truth, when I say that Mr. Edgar Ward lost at least one night of sleep, delving back into the school records which have been kept in his family. Mr. Erwin Mallory with his retentive memory has proven a great help in recalling the past. Mrs. Electa Stratton and Mrs. M. E. Taylor have been just delightful in helping to fill in the pertinent facts. I feel amply repaid for all my efforts in the preparation of this paper, for the correlation of this data has been



MARY LYON'S FIRST "SELECT SCHOOL" (1825)



DEACON JOHN PORTER



DANIEL FORBES



GRAHAM HALL "THE WAYSIDE INN"

Where Mary Lyon taught  
in 1830-31

delightfully interesting and a source of genuine pleasure to me. To any of you who wish to spend an enjoyable and exceedingly profitable evening, I would recommend that you drive to the homes of some of the old residents whom I have interviewed and ask them to tell you about Buckland as it was when they were young.

The petition for the incorporation of the town showed that the petitioners were destitute of gospel ministry and schooling and in 1783, a further petition was presented to the General Court for land to maintain a minister and a schoolmaster. The land for the minister's use was granted in Apple Valley and a strip of unappropriated land belonging to the Commonwealth, lying between Buckland and Ashfield, was annexed to Buckland in 1792 through the influence of Samuel Taylor, and the proceeds granted to assist in maintaining public schools in the town forever. This land lay wholly on the present Ashfield north line.

In securing aid from the Commonwealth, Samuel Taylor showed great ability and persistence, beginning in 1783 and renewing his efforts after every failure until the resolve was passed by both houses in 1792. The amount of the school fund derived in 1839 from selling this land which the state had granted, was \$914.83; the income from this amount was \$54.89.

In these very early times, when the parish included every person within its limits, the minister's duty of visiting the district schools officially could conflict with no sectarian jealousy. In 1789 there was a law passed that the selectmen and minister be a committee to care for and visit schools. This remained in force until 1826 when the town was required to choose a school committee. This, together with the introduction of differing religious sects and the abolishment of ministerial exemption from taxation, led to the former supervision of ministers over public school matters being given up. Next came a very democratic form of school government, when each district, at its annual school meeting, chose a prudential committee whose duty it was to employ teachers and have a care of the school rooms; their services were gratuitous and they seldom visited schools.

Very soon the town elected an examining committee to work with the prudential committee. Every teacher hired was obliged to go before this committee and have an oral examination.



Early history states that soon after the town was incorporated, it was divided into districts. These were numbered from one to eleven inclusive, and came in rotation as formed. The examining committee in 1829 was: William Sherwin, Calvin Pomeroy and Oliver Coleman. The prudential committee for the same year (a person being chosen from each district) was: Oliver Rawson from Apple Valley; Samuel Ruddock from the Upper City; Jonathan Ward, High Street; William Forbes, Four Corners; Dr. Lawson Long, center; John Nims, from the Falls section; Enos Taylor, Jr., north; Noah Willis, Jr., east; Ebenezer Hathaway. This is conclusive evidence that in 1829 there were nine school districts.

The revival in education inaugurated by Horace Mann aimed to improve this system by having a town committee who should be paid for its service. The remuneration received for visiting schools for a half day was fifty cents, or one dollar when a whole day was thus devoted. The annual reports beginning in 1838 were valuable when faithfully made, for the exposure of deficiencies and the just praise awarded to excellencies in different schools. Later the district committees were discontinued and the town school committee attended to all school needs.

The work which Mary Lyon did for all these district schools in elevating the standards of teaching and introducing better textbooks, greatly improved them. Her "Select Female School" held in 1824 in Griswold's hall and in 1829-30 in Graham Hall were attended by pupils living not only in Buckland and the surrounding towns, but in states as remote as Michigan. The greatest enrollment at one time was one hundred and four students.

Many select schools in different districts were supported by private tuition. These were in session every year from 1831 when Mary Lyon discontinued her winter school, until the academy at Shelburne Falls—which wholly took the place of such schools—was opened in 1862. In 1841 the large school at the center was divided, giving the older pupils all the advantages of a high school. This was supported in part by contributions.

Other influences at work for the improvement in education were felt in town. A state law requiring every child between the ages of eight and fourteen to attend school twenty weeks each year, became effective in 1875. At this date most of the schools here were in session thirty-two weeks. The records show three

hundred and eighty-four children of compulsory school age. The average attendance was three hundred and one, and the average cost per scholar was \$5.34 a year. The average teacher's salary was \$6.45 per week. The town appropriation for schools was, at this time, \$2,000. In this year (1875), the children under Mrs. Taylor at the Shelburne Falls grammar schools purchased a flag and had a public raising. This was the first flag to be raised in the Buckland schools.

A great impetus along educational lines was felt when the state passed in 1885, the text book law, compelling the town to furnish text books and other necessary school supplies free of charge to the pupils.

Great was the rejoicing by the parents when, in 1899, the town voted to pay tuition for Buckland children at Arms Academy. The state offered a few years earlier—in 1892—to reimburse the town in part, if it would employ a school superintendent. The result was that the towns of Shelburne, Colrain and Buckland formed a school union and elected their first superintendent, Mr A. W. Safford, who worked in the district one year and was in 1892 succeeded by Captain C. P. Hall—a man beloved by all school children—who accepted the position of superintendent and did much to bring the schools to a higher level. Mr. Hall worked among us fifteen years when, on account of ill health, it became necessary for him to resign. He has been followed by several capable men, not the least of whom is the present incumbent, Mr. F. P. Davison.

#### DISTRICT No. 1

In every one of us present there lingers a feeling of pride and love for the schools we attended as youngsters. In the one hundred and fifty years past, the buildings and locations of the schools have undergone many changes.

Buckland center was the location of the first school. This was called District No. 1. The first school house was built at the southeast corner of the common on land deeded to the town by Samuel Taylor, as the deed reads, 'for the good will and esteem I bear the inhabitants.' At the time the deed was recorded in 1799, the school house we know to have been standing, for before the building of the church, the teacher, Lucy Briggs is mentioned



in 1793 as 'coming to the door of the center school house.' Josiah Griswold, the historian at the Buckland Centennial, said his mother taught in this building in 1799 and received fifty cents a week for her services. The building soon burned and in 1804, Samuel Taylor deeded to the Center District, the parcel of land where the school house now stands. On this site was erected a one-story brick structure with a square roof and high windows allowing the children no means of seeing passers-by. This building was torn down between 1850 and 1860, and the present school house erected. Until 1888 the upper room of this last building was known as 'Band Hall' and was used solely by that organization. As another school room was needed, the band moved to the Methodist Meeting house and since that time the whole building has been used for school purposes.

Some of the outstanding teachers of the district were Daniel Forbes, John Porter and Mary Lyon. I have been told that Forbes taught either ninety-nine or one hundred terms of school in Buckland.

## DISTRICT NO. 2

Leaving Buckland center, we will travel down to the old brick school house of the North District, known in the early days as District No. 2. When this was first built there was no school in East Buckland, so children from Josiah Johnson's, Alfred Woodward's, and the other Woodward place came down the old road to this building. Other children went over the hill to No. 3 where Mary Lyon later taught. The teachers here as in the other districts made the pens of goose quills, using small knives, 'pen-knives,' to slot them with. Steel pens were introduced about 1845.

Very early the school house stood at the foot of Purrinton Hill. In 1806 Rufus Trowbridge deeded a tract of land (the same location as at present) to the inhabitants of Buckland and upon this a brick school house was then standing. This building became unfit for use and was taken down in 1840 and the present school house was fashioned from brick made over the river in East Charlemont. In the winters of 1826-27 and 28 Deacon John Porter taught here. Another teacher of note was Mary Howes Goddard, a granddaughter of Rev. Spaulding. She graduated in the first class from Mount Holyoke Seminary and died in Alaska.



## DISTRICT No. 3

Going on down to the Falls to District No. 3, we find the first school house stood in a pasture now owned by Erwin Mallory, near the Dennison Kendrick farm. A school was in session here 1820—how much earlier is unknown. Memorable and historic was this old school house, for here Rev. John Alden, founder of Shelburne Falls Academy, first known as the Franklin Academy, taught his first school as did also Mary Lyon, founder of Mount Holyoke College. Her wage was seventy-five cents a week and she 'boarded round.' The last term taught here was by Eliza Sherwin in the summer of 1850.

In 1853, Nathaniel Lamson deeded to District No. 3 a tract of land situated on Ashfield Street just north of the house now owned by Thomas Turton. This lot extended onto School Street giving this street its name. Here was built a school house which had been in use but three years when a big boom caused by the completion of railroad connections and the growth of the Lamson and Goodnow Cutlery Company, was experienced by that section. Because of resulting cramped quarters, District No. 3 purchased one acre of land from David Hawks and Orson Warner, which is our present school site. Here was built a four-room wooden structure. In a school report of 1875 the building was again reported as overcrowded and the second primary school was using the old Methodist church. Then came the big fire of 1876. To accommodate this second primary room, the town built for \$680 a one-room building east of the big school house, which went by the name of the 'Little White School house.' This was used until 1899 when it was moved onto Munroe Street and converted into a dwelling for which purpose it is still used.

When the old building was condemned by the state inspector, the town voted to wreck the school house, and in 1899 a \$15,000 brick structure took its place. On December 16, 1919, before the town had finished payment on this, a fire destroyed the building. Through the kindness of the Odd Fellows and the Sons of St. George, room was provided for the children until a new \$50,000 eight-room building could be completed. This is in use today. Thoroughly interested in all educational lines was George D. Crittenden's family. Mr. Crittenden's service on the school board extended over a long period, while several of his daughters became

excellent teachers of our schools. Because of these facts, the new building is called the 'Crittenden School.'

#### DISTRICT No. 4

Nestled among the hills at the east part of the town in the center of the little settlement known as 'Hog Hollow,' was the school house where Mary Lyon received her education, sometimes walking the two miles from her home, and in the winter 'doing chores' for her board at Spencer Woodward's. This farm and the old school plot were both located on the farm now owned by Charles J. Nilman. The community here sent eighty or more pupils at a time for their education. Frederick Temple, a teacher from Heath, was a very severe master. One day his hard wood ferule which was always near at hand, was found to be missing, and was never again seen in the school. This caused much excitement and wonder. Many years afterwards, Homer Johnson, one of the then small boys of the school, showed his former seat-mate, Erwin Mallory, the hollow ash tree that contained the ferule, but by the school master the mystery was never solved.

The long winter evenings saw many gather from all sections of the town at this old school house, occasionally for a spelling match, but more often for a debate on weighty questions of the day such as:

*Resolved*—That the labor-saving machines are an injury to the laboring class of people.

*Resolved*—That the Indians have been more abused at the hands of the white men than the negroes.

*Resolved*—That the United States has reached the zenith of its glory.

Usually the younger members of the assembly gave declamations. Such entertainment was fine training for young men and women of the day, who took great pride in demonstrating their ability as public speakers.

In 1850 the old school house with its raised platform for the master, was remodeled, but the committee reported in 1876 that the building was totally unfit for winter school and hardly fit for summer use. As a result a new building was put up by Lucius Reniff costing \$389. The foundations were put in by Oswin



Johnson, for \$38. This stood about a quarter of a mile north-west of the original site. The old school house was sold to Erwin Mallory for five dollars and is now being used for a shed on the Fred Laird Farm.

This building of 1876 is still being used, with a present enrollment of about ten scholars, although for a period of twenty years just past, it remained closed.

#### DISTRICT No. 5

Travelling the lower road from Buckland to Ashfield, we find a small settlement at Buckland Four Corners. For many years William Sherwin, the noted composer of church and school music, and leader of the far famed 'singing school' of Buckland, lived at Four Corners. Lyman Wood deeded a plot of ground to the fifth district in 1829, and the little school house erected here was often used for neighborhood gatherings. In such districts the school house was the center of entertainment. In 1885 this school was closed and the children transported to the center and High Street. The school building was then bought by Rev. A. C. Hodges, minister at Buckland center, and used as a chapel. Mr. Hodges was a man of high character and his beneficent influence will be felt for many years. Since he left town the building has been used commercially.

#### DISTRICT No. 6

##### HIGH STREET

Leaving the Ashfield road and following Clesson's River toward Hawley for a distance some over a mile, we come upon a section of Buckland known as High Street and very near this spot is the school known as the High Street school. Half way between the site of this and the old Ward home, was an old school house built in 1801. In 1850 there was a difference of opinion as to whether the old building should be torn down or remodeled. Against the wishes of many, the vote of the district was carried in favor of remodeling. The next morning the school house was in ashes, and freshly made boot-prints seen about the place of the catastrophe, led up the hill. The district decided to move the location to the present site and Graham Ward and Elmer Frost contracted to build the new school house.



## DISTRICT No. 7

Continuing our journey up Clesson's River for another mile to the edge of Hawley, we find the little settlement of Buckland Upper City, so named because of its early prosperity. This promising little hamlet soon declined, and the use of the school house which had been built in 1831, and had formerly been such a center of interest, was discontinued and the school closed in 1868. Through the winter of 1840, a select school was here in session. Some of the pupils coming from Hawley were Lawyer S. T. Field and Pindar Cooley. In 1825 there was an enrollment of twenty-five pupils with William Doan as teacher. Of these only three are now living. Mrs. Rowena Ward, Tyler Dodge and Mrs. Eurette Damon. Mrs. Mary Dodge taught the last term here before the school was closed. Later the building was torn down.

## APPLE VALLEY—DISTRICT No. 8

Leaving the Ashfield road at the foot of the mountain, and bearing to the right we find ourselves in the principal fruit growing section of Buckland, called Apple Valley. Here a school district found plenty of pupils in the early days, but in 1870 there were not enough left to pay for maintaining a school longer, and this little district closed its school door forever.

## DISTRICT No. 9

Over near the Charlemont line was a district known as Number Nine. In 1885 a school was kept in Mr. Thayer's home. The Secretary of the State Board of Education strongly advised building a Union school house, with the town of Charlemont. One member of the selectmen and one member of the School committee chose a suitable place for the school house on the Charlemont line. The latter town at a town meeting, voted to build a school house if Buckland would pay half of the expense. Buckland took no action and so the matter was dropped.

## ASHFIELD LINE—DISTRICT No. 10

Another school house was used until about 1850 in the south-east corner of the town and was reached by taking the road to

Ashfield past Albert C. Bray's farm. The school house has been moved and is now being used for a wagon shed on a farm.

Just this side of the last farm in Buckland, before entering Ashfield, stood the little red school house. I find no information regarding this district.

#### DISTRICT No. 11

The last school to be mentioned, known as the Eleventh district, or the Pine Woods School, was located on the road leading to Buckland center. The cellar hole may be found today on land owned by Luther Dunnell. Abijah Thayer deeded the land for this school to Buckland District No. 11, on January 8, 1844. The Crittendens, Basses, Graggs, Woodwards and Abbotts were pupils here until the school was closed in 1870. Then the children went either to the Mill Yard or to the Falls. Two of the later teachers of this school are still living, namely, Mrs. A. L. Johnson and Mrs. Rhoda Marden. The building was sold by the selectmen in 1876 for \$27, and later served as a dwelling for Moses Nelson and others, until it was burned about thirty-nine years ago.

In bringing this paper to a close I want to call your attention to the fact that one hundred years ago the town appropriation for the schools was \$300. This yearly appropriation has been increased until today it amounts to \$30,000. A large amount of this is paid to Shelburne for tuition of high school pupils, and at present about ninety-nine per cent of our boys and girls attend high school. Annually physical examinations are given to all pupils by the school physician and nurse.

The schools of one hundred years ago and less were directed and taught by such eminent educators as John Porter, Daniel Forbes and Mary Lyon as has been noted. Their wonderful influence has been handed down through the years and has been an inspiration to those who followed in their footsteps until today we have schools which we are proud to say are the equal if not superior to any schools in Massachusetts in towns of this size.

#### ADDITIONAL NOTES

In 1902 Music was regularly taught as a department in the school curriculum, under the direction of C. L. Brigham. Drawing was introduced in 1905 with Lila B. Hutchins as instructor.

Medical inspection began in 1914, under Dr. J. G. Greaves and Manual training was in force in 1919 with Walter S. Stanford leading the class.

While searching for facts relative to the town's early history, there was discovered at the Buckland Library, an old book containing a school record, bearing date of May 8, 1847. As was customary at that period the record book was probably kept at the home of the secretary of the school board which at the time of the fire of 1876, was Hugo Mann, and so was not destroyed with the other town books. Because of this a more complete list of committee members and school appropriations has been available.

#### THE MOUNT HOLYOKE SCHOLARSHIP

In 1924 Mount Holyoke College established a scholarship for the girls of Buckland in honor of the town being the birth-place of Mary Lyon. Mary Jeanne Clapp, the first to benefit by this scholarship, entered the college in 1936.

#### THE CLIFTON McKNIGHT FUND

Clifton McKnight, for many years town clerk and treasurer, notary public and assistant postmaster, left at his death in 1927, a fund of \$5,000 to the town of Buckland, the income over and above \$5,000 to be used in helping some deserving boy or girl of Buckland to secure an education. This fund was placed under the control of a board of trustees which should be composed of the boards of selectmen, school committee and the town treasurer, the last mentioned always to be chairman. Payments were to be made by the treasurer, acting as chairman, with the approval of the trustees, to the party or parties whose eligibility has been decided upon by them.

The interest from this fund is being used this year, 1934, to pay the tuition of two girls, one at Bay Path at Springfield and one at the Northampton Business college.

#### AN OLD SCHOOL REPORT

Among the papers of Edward Ward has been found the following report of the schools, dated March 1833, and shows that then as now, the committees had many and varied problems to meet.



Report of the Chairman of School Committee, Buckland,  
March 25, 1833.

The common schools in this Commonwealth and especially in the United States demand the encouragement and support of every Philanthropist, Patriot and Christian. Primary and common schools comprise the glory of New England and through the influence they are calculated to exert may, if sufficiently patronized, be under God, the *Salvation of this mighty Republic*.

Here we have the first germs of society ready to be bent and moulded into whatever shape or character you *please*.

Here we behold those who in a short time are to own the property, inhabit the houses, perform all the active business of life and form the character of society.

In the district school you see the candidates for your future town officers, statesmen, physicians, lawyers, judges, ministers, in short here are the materials which if rightly manufactured will form the symmetry, strength and beauty of our nation.

It is a matter of rejoicing that we are permitted in this town to witness a becoming interest in this subject and that we may from time to time hear of the *proficiency* made in our *common schools*.

Your committee for the last year in presenting their Report feel gratified that they are able to state that the schools in general in this town have never to their knowledge appeared in a more flourishing state than at present.

The examination of *candidates* for our winter schools was such as gave great pleasure to your committee with one exception.

The schools have been repeatedly visited this winter and your committee beg leave briefly to state the condition in which they have found each school respectively.

The school in District No 7 was taught last summer by Miss Caroline Hubbard and the winter by Miss Tryphena Cooly. The scholars have made uncommon proficiency and appeared in excellent order exhibiting such specimens of improvement as reflected honor on the pupils and teacher.

In District No 6 Miss Lomina Griswold was employed last summer and Mr. Edmond P. Sherwin in the winter.

Your committee was highly gratified with the thorough systematic method of instruction and the good order and close application of the scholars to their lessons.

The school in No 5 was visited this winter while under the care of Miss Loscian Nichols.

The Committee have in their opinion never visited a school composed of so small scholars as this under better regulations and whose prospects were more flattering.

In District No 4 Widow Electa Chapin was employed last summer and Miss Lomina Ward the winter past.

Your Committee cannot forbear remarking on the rapid advance this school has made recently. There are several excellent scholars and it is the opinion of your Committee that the small scholars in this school will not suffer in comparison with scholars of a similar age in any school in town. Young Gentlemen and Ladies who have attended that school this winter have maintained a becoming deportment and submission to good order worthy of the highest praise.

Miss Fanny Thayer was employed last summer in District No 3 and Miss — Ripley in the winter. The Committee was pleased in general with the method of instruction in this school but would be pleased to witness a little more animation and interest on the part of the pupils and it would be desirable if some large scholars in that district would manifest a little more subordination to the good order in school.

The school in District No 2 is now under the care of Deacon Enos Pomeroy from New York. The school closes next week.

This school has advantages this winter which seldom if ever are enjoyed in this town. The method of instruction is good, unusual attention has been paid to first *principles*. Specimens of improvement which are rarely witnessed.

The school in District No 1 has been extremely unfortunate the past winter whether owing to any injudicious management of the Committee or any one of the Committee or to causes which were under the existing circumstances out of the power of the Committee to control, the Committee cheerfully submit to the town to decide.

The facts in the case are the following: the gentleman who was engaged in that district commenced his school before examination.—At our regular examination he appeared among the other candidates for examination. This examination was not satisfactory, — was deficient in orthography, reading and particularly in English Grammar. The Committee made known to the Candidate their doubt respecting his ability to take the charge of a school whose character stood as high as the one in the Centre.

He excused himself by saying that for some cause or other he was greatly embarrassed, that he was confident that he had an adequate knowledge of the branches wherein he failed.

As only two of your Committee were present and not knowing but what the reasons given for his failure (were



true ones) it was agreed to put him on trial until the next Saturday, meanwhile have the other member of the Committee notified and visit his school and in this manner have an opportunity of judging as to his capability of instructing.

The Committee proposed this plan and the Candidate acceded to it, at the same time stating to the Candidate that they very much doubted his qualifications; if he went in to the school he must go on his honor as being confident he was amply qualified. On the day appointed the other member of the Committee to whom allusion was made was not present.

Being Saturday afternoon and the scholars not all in it was unfavorable as we had not probably a fair specimen of the school. The appearance of the school was not satisfactory. The Committee were divided in their opinion and being only two present could not decide. It was therefore thought best to let the school continue and make one more effort the beginning of the next week to obtain the advice of the third member of the Committee. This was not effected, one of the members of the Committee who was at the examination visited the school the next week and communicated his views to the *Chm* stating that in his opinion a certificate had better be given reserving the privilege to discontinue the school whenever in the judgment of the Committee it was thought advisable.

A certificate in usual form under those conditions was granted.

In about two weeks after this the Chairman of your Committee who had from the beginning questioned the abilities of the Master paid the school a second visit and found it in his opinion in a miserable condition.

He was found not only to be radically deficient in fundamental branches but greatly wanting in despatch.

Consequently he requested the District Committee to call a meeting of the district to take into consideration the propriety of discontinuing the school.

The district had a meeting and voted by a large majority to have the master go on with the school.

Subsequently the *Chm* was requested by some of the members of the Committee to appoint a day to visit the school. The *Chm* accordingly appointed a day and notified the Board. They met agreeable to notice.

The *Chm* of your Committee then stated to the Board that as he had given his opinion in relation to the school in a district school meeting he thought it would be improper for him to have any voice in any decisions in relation to that school. —

The other two Gentlemen acknowledged the propriety



of the suggestion and cheerfully agreed to take the burthen on their own shoulders.

Their decision was that the Master was totally disqualified to teach the school and ought to be dismissed.

One of their number accordingly notified the Gentleman of the result &c. stating to him that they should protest against his certificate from that day. He continued his school two days after this and then left.

In making these statements the Committee carefully avoided mentioning any circumstances that might reflect on the Master or any member of the district any farther than absolutely necessary to a fair presentation of facts.

The Committee have the fullest confidence that however they might err in permitting this man to commence his school they did perfectly right in sending him adrift.

The concurrent testimony of literary Gentlemen who visited his school and others who have had the best opportunities for judging and even Gentlemen of no inconsiderable attainments who voted to have him continue his school have repeatedly said and said it publicly that they considered him totally inadequate to teach the school.

The school is now under the care of Mr. Sherwin who taught the school in District No 6 in whose ability as a good school teacher your Committee have the fullest confidence.

In conclusion let every district strive to employ the first rate teachers for better to have a good teacher one month and pay him well than to have a poor one three months for nothing.

All of which is respectfully submitted

March  
1833.

J. Porter/Chm.

(In pencil)

William Forbes

Abner Townsley.

These two with chairman Porter made up the three that were appointed school committee in 1832 town meeting.

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Bills relative to schools.

Town of Buckland, Dr. to

G. K. Ward for services as School Committee for the year  
1850-51.

May 4—To one half day examining teachers . . . .	00.50
May 16—To visiting school one day. No. 2 and 3.	01.00
May 30—To visiting a school one half day, No. 11. .	00.50

June 22—To visiting a school one half day, No. 6 . .	00.50
July 15—To visiting a school one half day, No. 11 . .	00.50
Nov. 30—To one half day examining teachers . . .	00.50
Dec. 12—To one half day by request . . . . .	00.50
Dec. 26—To visiting a school one half day, No 5 .	00.50
Dec. 31—To visiting schools one day No. 11 and 2	01.00
1851.	
Jan. 9—To visiting schools one day No. 4 and 3	01.00
Feb. 25—To visiting school one half day No. 5 . .	00.50
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Buckland Feb. 27th 1851

G. K. Ward.

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Town of Buckland, Dr. to  
G. K. Ward.

1867 for services on school committee.

Apr. 13 To one half day examining teachers . . . . .	.75
Apr. 15 To one day in all hiring teachers . . . . .	.75
May 29, To one half day visiting school . . . . .	.75
June 18, To one half day visiting school . . . . .	.75
July 3, To one day examination of school No 3 . . .	
July 12, To one day . . . . .	1.50
Oct. 11, To one day visiting school No 1 . . . . .	.75
Nov. 1 To ½ day visiting and committee meeting	.75
Nov. 8 To one day examination of School No 3 . . . .	1.50
Nov. 12 To ½ day visiting school . . . . .	.75
Nov. 29 To 1 day examining of teachers &c . . . . .	1.50
Dec. 6 To 1 day visiting school No 1 & examination No 5 . . . . .	1.50
Dec. 10 To ½ day visiting school No 7 . . . . .	.75
Dec. 11 To 1 day visiting school No 4 . . . . .	.75
1868.	
Jan. 3 To 1 day examination and visit No 3 . . . . .	1.50
Feb. 10, To ½ day visiting school No 3 . . . . .	.75
Feb. 21 To 1 day examination . . . . .	1.50
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	\$18.25

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The following is taken from an Abstract of the Massachusetts School Returns for 1841-42.

## BUCKLAND

Selections from Report. \*\*Our schools have enjoyed emphatically a time of peace. We have witnessed a degree of subordination to wholesome regulations and mutual confidence between teachers and pupils, truly commendable.\*\*

Your committee would suggest the plan of dividing large schools, placing the younger part under a female teacher; and thus giving the older scholars all the advantages they would enjoy in a high school. \* \* This principle has been adopted in the centre district during the winter term.\*\*

Your committee are of opinion that both departments in this school have been benefited essentially by this arrangement. \* \* SCHOOL COMMITTEE—John Porter, N. G. Trow.

## BUCKLAND FEMALE SCHOOL

This was the name of the school established by Mary Lyon and in accordance with the usual custom of that period, she issued a catalogue of 'The Teachers and Pupils'—'for the term ending March 2, 1830.' This shows that she then had two assistant teachers, Misses Louisa S. Billings and Hannah White. Five 'Assistant Pupils' apparently had some official positions, whether as teachers in some lower branches or perhaps serving more as 'Monitors,' is open to conjecture. The names of the pupils are all given together with their places of residence. While most of them lived in Buckland and the adjacent towns, some are listed as coming from Springfield, Colebrook, Conn., Pittsfield, Palmer, Brookfield, Amherst, Western, Marlborough, Mackinaw, Michigan Territory, Westminster, and Guilford, Vt."





## CHAPTER

# 11

### SCHOOL DAYS IN THE 1840's

*Time but the impression deeper makes,  
As streams their channels deeper wear.*

CONCERNING the old school house and the school kept therein during the 1840's, there has been found the following interesting and graphic description written by a pupil of that period, Mrs. Sophia P. Woodward Snow. So well does it delineate the building which used to stand in District No. 3, at the Falls, and the customs then in vogue in all primary schools, that it seems most fitting to here preserve it for future generations.

#### THE OLD SCHOOL HOUSE

"It stood on the Buckland side of the Deerfield river at Shelburne Falls, about half a mile northwest of the old covered bridge. It was a low structure of one story as most of the country schools were at that period, and was never embellished by paint either within or without. It contained five small windows, which were secured by blinds entirely different from the fashion of today, being nothing more or less than a thick piece of plank, just a little larger than the window, which fastened on the inside by a hook.

The seats were arranged in two tiers around three sides of the room, one considerably above the other. The back and higher row was reserved for the older pupils, while the lower one, where the feet rested on a stool about six inches high, was the place assigned the younger portion. The fourth side of the room was occupied by the outside door, teacher's desk, and tall cupboard in which the girls put their wraps. The boys hung their outside garments on nails in the corner where the little green waterpail

stood. Never did water taste sweeter than that which came from that receptacle on a hot summer day. The Old Oaken Bucket never contained a purer draught or one more thoroughly relished. I have often thought if Woodworth had not immortalized nature's drink in that sweetest of poems, I should certainly have tried my hand on

The old green waterpail,  
Sweet, wooden waterpail,  
Dear little waterpail,  
And bright pewter cup.

Well, to go back to the teacher's desk. To my youthful mind that was the most exalted place on earth. No presidential chair or monarch's throne ever replaced it. It was also a place of honor. If we had been unusually good and had recited our lessons without a single mistake we might sit by the side of the teacher for fifteen minutes, and O, what lofty feelings filled our breast as we looked round on the other pupils and wondered if they realized our exalted position! The blackboard, a piece of wood three feet by four, hung at the right of the cupboard, and during the whole of the forties was the only place where we could display our skill with chalk. And yet it would be difficult at the present day to find scholars that could excel them in mathematics. The books then in use were the *Rhetorical Reader*, *Intelligent Reader*, *Child's Guide*, *Worcester's Primer*, Adams', Colburn's and Emerson's arithmetics, Mitchell's and Peter Parley's geographies, *Murray's Grammar* and *Webster's Speller*. During all the years of my childhood those books were never changed, yet the readers and spellers of those days, especially the latter, could not be beaten, go the world over.

In the middle of the room stood the oblong, cast-iron stove, around which we gathered on frosty mornings to warm our chilled fingers and toes. The older boys took turns at building the fires, while it fell to the lot of the girls to do the sweeping.

Now that I have given you so clear a picture of the building, let me speak of some of the teachers. This was the very school house in which Mary Lyon, at the age of 17, taught her first district school. Some of the other teachers that taught here before my remembrance were John Porter, Joel Woodward, my father, William Davis, Clarissa Munson, Elinor Fuller, Lamira Ward,

and Rachel Townsley. My first teacher was Hepzibah Sears, who taught in the summer of 1840.

In those days the pupil learned the alphabet from blocks on which were pasted both large and small letters, and we were expected to know nearly all of them before we began to read. Had those old time teachers been told that fifty years hence a child could be taught to read before it knew a single letter, they would have considered it as utterly impossible as it would be for a person to make a dress before learning to sew. Nevertheless, the thing has come to pass.

Some of the teachers that followed Miss Sears were Abijah Thayer, Wayland Lamb, a brother of S. O. Lamb, Eunice Wells, Sarah Jane Smith, Lurania Brooks, Miss Hannum, Miss Holman, Evaline Wood, Caroline Maxwell, Maria Ward, Elvira Boyden, Laura Newton, Caroline Severance, Elizabeth Alden and Eliza Sherwin. The last named teacher taught the last term in the old school house, which was in the summer of 1850.

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The 'great' girls as we styled them, were Deidamia Richmond, Eliza Sherwin, Julia Ware and Mary Ann Woodward. Their word was law in all out-door matters. They took the lead in all our plays on the 'common,' such as 'needle's eye,' 'poison,' and 'ring-go-rang-go,' while we smaller ones were their willing subjects. How well I remember the flutter of excitement that pervaded our youthful breast when we saw the horse and carriage of the committee coming into the yard. As Miss Boyden's school was always in perfect order, we had no fear of what 'his royal highness' would think of us. The august visitor was sure to be either Rev. Preston Cummings, Rev. P. P. Sanderson, Rev. A. B. Egleston or Dr. N. G. Trow. The inevitable remarks, which were always complimentary, came at the close of the day, after we had been bidden to lay aside our books and fold our hands. After the visitor's departure, at a signal from the little brass bell, with the words, 'school is dismissed,' we started for our homes.

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When the tinkling of the little bell announced the dinner hour, with hasty steps we sought our pails and distributed their contents among the hungry little folks awaiting them. If the pail contained the luncheon of six the portion of each must necessarily



be scanty, but if it belonged to only one the repast was sumptuous. The scholar who was the sole owner of a dinner pail was looked upon as a most fortunate person. Why, even at this distant day, I can see Zophar opening his pail and taking out the snowy bread spread with golden butter, the luscious red-cheeked apple, and the generous tempting pieces of Aunt Nabby's famous mince pie! After the demands of the appetite had been satisfied, if the day were stormy we amused ourselves in-doors, telling riddles, playing 'see-saw,' 'bean-porridge-hot,' 'chopping wood,' and various other games. If pleasant we repaired to the yard to enjoy our sport. A favorite pastime with the boys was snow-balling, in which the girls sometimes engaged, and woe to the luckless boy at whom balls were aimed by them. In return we often received a free face-washing, which was received in the best of humor, for we knew we were only getting our just desert. At the ringing of the bell we again entered the school room and resumed our studies.

The high desk in front of the larger pupils was duly appreciated, for under its cover notes could be passed from one side of the room to the other entirely out of sight of the teacher. There was but one break in the circuit, and that was just in front of the east window, where a narrow alley of two steps led down to the floor. Here it required care to ensure the safe passage of the message, which was generally done when the teacher's back was turned. Aside from note writing we were model pupils. On days when we were visited by the committee, usually T. B. Montague in winter, we refrained from anything of the kind, for we took pride in having our school assigned the highest honor at the regular March meeting.

All too soon the last day of school came and we bade adieu to our faithful teacher. As a parting gift we all received a small white embossed card. The identical one given me now lies before me. On the back of it is written in her beautiful fine chirography, 'May this serve to remind you of your teacher, Louisa Frances Thompson, February 22, 1847.'

#### THE OLD-TIME SPELLING-SCHOOL

The three teachers under whom we had the best spelling schools were the Misses Ward, Thompson, and Boyden. In all of our contests we had an invariable rule which was this: The speller

should pronounce the word before spelling and have but one trial, that would do away with all guess work. If a word was missed and was spelled by the opposite side, the leader of that side was entitled to choose any one from the losing side to augment his own column. Therefore the best spellers were being continually called back and forth. If the word missed was spelled by the side that missed it, it was called 'saved,' and no selection was made from the other side.

We always did our best whichever side we were on, but I must confess that we had a strong desire for the side to win that we started with. So you see, even in those days we had a decided leaning towards 'home protection' and it has never left us.

Under Miss Ward's administration, Wells Sherwin put out the words. I well remember one evening when 'ichthyology' was given out about every sixth word for half an hour, and the scholar that was present and cannot spell it even now, would be in danger of forgetting how to spell his name.

Miss Thompson put out the words herself. She was a wide-awake teacher and consequently had wide-awake pupils. At the close of her term we had become excellent spellers. She was followed the next winter by Miss Boyden. This term began in December 1847, and ended in February 1848. The spelling schools were resumed with more interest than ever before.

On the afternoon preceding the evening when one was to be held, Miss Boyden would hear Eli Sherman's recitation before the regular class, and then he would bundle up in his warm overcoat, tie the large scarf over his head and ears,—looking much like an arctic explorer,—and start for the Hollow, to let the scholars of that school know of our appointment. As soon as the door closed behind him Webster's speller would be seized and faithfully studied from the first page to the last. We would make a note of words liable to be misspelled, and when we closed the book at the close of school a satisfactory feeling would pervade the whole frame.

School would be dismissed, and we would hie to our homes with hearts so light and joyous that our appetites would often fail us at supper time. Mother would run extra candles in the afternoon for us to carry in the evening. About 6 o'clock we would begin to get ready. Sister Jane would carefully curl my hair, and I would don a Lima plaid dress, made by Melinda, that con-



tained all the colors of the rainbow. What a feeling of admiration would pass through my being when I surveyed myself in the parlor looking glass! I doubt if Queen Victoria in her coronation robes felt any better dressed than I did in that memorable plaid! Soon all would be in readiness, and we would start for our destination with candle in hand. Talk about Aladdin's lamp! Why, its wonderful properties would sink into insignificance when compared with that little tallow candle which not only shed a rosy light over the pleasures of childhood, but has shone down through the long, dim archway of the vanished years with undiminished brightness, and whose radiance will only be lost to view when we pass through the gates of death!

On arriving at the school house, we invariably found Lorenzo Richmond,—the boy teacher,—Spencer, Philip, and Joab Woodward, and Darwin Ware from the Hollow School. All was bustle and confusion, and not until the signal from the bell for the exercises to begin did we reduce ourselves to order.

Then we settled down to work with a will. After sides had been chosen twice, the programme would be varied by all standing. and spelling down. This would show who were the best spellers. There were five worthy of mention: Lorenzo Richmond, Spencer Woodward, Eli Sherwin, Eliza Sherwin and Jane Woodward. We used to say what they couldn't spell wasn't worth spelling. During the evening there were triumphs and humiliations that always attend such gatherings.

We were unlike Whittier's heroine, who with downcast eyes, meekly said:

I'm sorry that I spelled the word,  
I hate to go above you.

We felt a secret joy in being able to do the very thing that 'she' regretted.

On the whole the evening would pass in a blaze of glory and we would have a grand time. When the exercises were over, we repaired to the tall cupboard for our wraps, including the fur tippets and comfortable mittens, the latter article not being the kind that was occasionally received at the door, for that was decidedly uncomfortable.

The right of the youthful schoolmaster to accompany the girl school ma'am was not disputed. In the case of a clear eyed lass—



a near neighbor of ours—the situation was different, for two lads were competitors for her hand. With her it was a case of ‘first come, first served,’ but with them it was a matter of vital importance. But whichever party was vanquished, Joab or William, the defeat was taken in good humor, so no challenge was ever given and consequently no duel ever fought.

After reaching home and being safely tucked in bed, we lived over in retrospection the pleasures of the evening, thereby getting the enjoyment of two entertainments out of one. Oftentimes not until the wee hours did we succumb to the power of Morpheus, and then our dreams were peopled with innumerable fairies arrayed in gorgeous costumes—most of them plaid—fitting here and there in a vast amphitheatre. Sometimes they would form in long lines, and then again they would scamper to seats on little thrones covered with royal blue velvet, which on close inspection proved to be—Webster’s Spelling Book!

#### IN MEMORIAM

It is with feelings of both joy and sadness that I take my pen to write the concluding chapter of my little history. I will begin with the teachers.

Abijah Thayer, a man of sterling integrity, now sleeps with his fathers. Wayland Lamb has answered the call of the grim boatman and has passed over the river.

Hepzibah Sears, who afterwards was Mrs. William Thayer of Buckland, long ago joined the silent throng. The history of Eunice Wells of Shelburne is unknown to me. Sarah Jane Smith of Colrain—beautiful in face and disposition—and Lurania Brooks—gentle and winning in manner—both died in the morning of life. Eveline Wood is Mrs. Justin Frost of Shelburne Falls. The subsequent history of the Misses Holman and Hannum is to me a sealed book. Caroline Maxwell—the mild, patient teacher who never for a moment lost either her temper or dignity, is Mrs. John Abbott of Buckland.

Maria Ward, who taught our school two terms and was highly prized by her pupils, afterwards married, and I have lost all trace of her. Laura Newton of Greenfield, thorough and systematic in her teaching, married later in life, and if I mistake not I have read of her death in the Gazette. Caroline Severance—a

sister of Mrs. F. A. Ball of Shelburne Falls—is, I think, still living. Elizabeth Alden—sister of George—is Mrs. Lizzie Munroe of Baldwinsville, N. Y. I was not a pupil of the last two teachers and therefore cannot speak of any individual characteristic, but I know they fully sustained the reputation of former instructors. Elvira Benton is the widow of the late Lorenzo Wilder of Shelburne, and is living in Illinois. Louisa Thompson, our most enthusiastic teacher, was afterwards Louisa Loomis. I think she is still living in some part of Ohio. Mrs. Rodolphus Pratt of Buckland is the dear Elvira Boyden, the faithful, beloved teacher who has just passed her eightieth birthday.

Of the four 'great girls,' Julia Ware, the wife of Spencer Woodward (of spelling-school fame) is the only one left. At last accounts she was residing on the old homestead. Eliza Sherwin married Stelle Randolph of New Jersey and took up her abode in the west. Mary Ann Woodward—my dear sister—better known as Mrs. M. A. Stockwell—and Deidamia Richmond, the wife of Joseph Whiting, are not living. Jane Woodward is Mrs. W. L. Brown and resides in Waltham. Augusta Woodward married Leonard Wells of East Charlemont. Marcus Woodward, who was severely wounded at the Battle of Fair Oaks, was a private in the old Massachusetts 10th. He resides at the Soldier's Home at Togus, Me. Joel Woodward is married and lives in South Deerfield. Emily Woodward has been dead nearly a quarter of a century. Sophia Woodward (yours truly) married Charles Snow and for many years has been a resident of South Meriden, Conn. She was a teacher in the Meriden public schools for eighteen years, and only gave up the delightful occupation four years ago. She has a son and daughter married and living in the same state.

Wells Sherwin married Ann Bardwell of Colrain and lives in the west. He was a commissioned officer in a western regiment and was a man of more than ordinary attainments.

Eli Sherwin married Jennie Johnson of Northfield and lives in Illinois. Amelia Sherwin is the wife of a Baptist minister in Minneapolis. Jane Sherwin married a western man.

Alanson Richmond, who married Amelia Wood of Buckland, is a resident of East Charlemont where he has brought up a large family. Lucretia Richmond married Darwin Ware (neither living).

Horatio Sprague, a universal favorite among his school mates,



died in early manhood. Sarah Dunnells who married a Leavitt of Charlemont, and her sister Elvira, long years ago rested from their labors. Adelaide Ware, the quiet, tidy little girl of our remembrance, is Mrs. Homer Johnson of Buckland. Of the Kemp boys, Darwin and George are dead; Zebulon and Zebina are living; the former in Savoy, and latter in Stamford, Vt.

Frutilla Townsley married an Aitkin of Philadelphia. She is now a widow and lives in that city. Maria Townsley, one of my dearest friends, married a Gaffney and went to live in Dakota nearly thirty years ago. She died the 18th of last March. Adelaide Townsley is the wife of Charles Clark, a prosperous attorney-at-law in Montezuma, Ia.

Of the Graves family I can say nothing, for they have been lost to my sight for many years. Isabella Newton, an adopted daughter of Major Ira Arms, handsome and talented, died before we abandoned the old school house.

Newton Allis married and settled down in Shelburne Falls. He was a soldier in the Civil War (not living). Rachel Allis married a Dodge and at last accounts was living in the west. Angelia Allis is Mrs. Joseph Ballard of Buckland.

Zophar Woodward is still a resident of Shelburne Falls. Eusebia Montague is now Eusebia Cummings. If I mistake not she and her brother Adelbert are still living at the Falls. Their sister Annella, passed away in early childhood.

John Carrier, one of the brightest scholars I ever knew, married and settled in Readsboro, Vt. Galetra Carrier is now Mrs. William Robertson of Leyden. Hiram Smith is the present superintendent of the Turners Falls Cutlery Co., and still retains his power of song, but his sister Mary passed from our sight over thirty years ago. Julia Smith, from another family, married Rev. Abner Sherwin of Buckland and lives at Crystal Lake, Minn. Henry C. Payne is a citizen of Milwaukee.

Lorenzo Richmond 'the boy school master' resides in Deerfield. The 'Melinda' who made the plaid dress of which I was so proud, is Mrs. Isaac Hawks of Shelburne Falls.

Here now must end my 'individual history,' of those whose early years were identified with the dear old school house and those happy days gone by."





CHAPTER

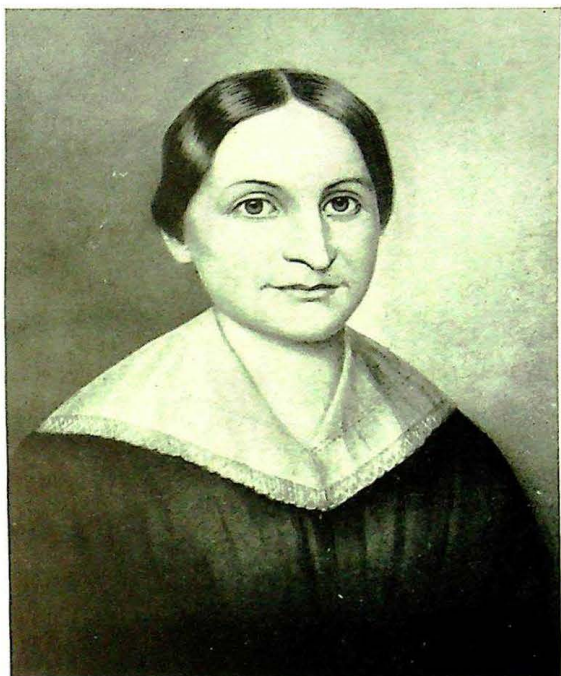
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MARY LYON

*Her memory, revered by the people of her native town.  
Honored throughout the country for her efforts in behalf  
of the education of women. Known the world over as the  
founder of Mount Holyoke College*

THE following by Miss M. L. Hodges of Buckland was read by her at a meeting of the Missionary Branch of the Women's Board of Missions held at Buckland, August 4, 1885, and also at the centennial celebration of the Congregational church.

"On the twenty-eighth of February, 1797, in a little house among the hills of Buckland, Mary Lyon first saw the light. Her father was for many years deacon in the church at 'Baptist Corner' in the north part of Ashfield and her mother a woman of exceptional piety and benevolence. The death of the father in 1802 left the widow with seven children to care for. Aided by her son she carried on the farm and earned a living for herself and children. The girls were brought up in the good old fashioned way. They spun, dyed and wove their own dresses, helped make the bed quilts and blankets and heavy coverlids with the blue side for winter and the white side for summer. Their shoes were made by the tanner, currier and neighboring shoemaker from the skins of their own fattened calf. As the years passed by one and another of the three older sisters married and left home, but the greatest trial came to Mary when her mother married again and left her with two younger children, and took up her abode in Ashfield. Although she felt it keenly, she would not allow the separation to make her unhappy but devoted her energies to making a pleasant home for her brother. She was only fifteen years old at this time but did all the work in the farm house receiving one dollar



*Affectionately yours*  
*Mary Lyon*

a week for her services. At the district school she was distinguished for being the best scholar, the least regardful of personal appearance and the most kind hearted and honest girl in school. It was about this time that Deacon John Porter, one of the best teachers of the period, was teaching in the East District. One day a young girl made her appearance who gave her name as Mary Lyon, and said she wished to study grammar: an extraordinary request, as girls of that period were supposed to be satisfied with reading, writing, spelling and needlework. Mr. Porter said he did not know much about grammar but would assist her as much as possible. He soon found that he needed all the time he could command out of school to keep sufficiently in advance of her to seem to be her teacher.

By the marriage of her brother a year or two later she was relieved from household duties and commenced her career as teacher, near Shelburne Falls, receiving seventy-five cents a week and 'boarding round.' The parents gladly received her into their homes, especially when they discovered her skill in weaving, saying, 'She helped them so much out of school that they would not care if they had to board her for nothing.' One of her pupils, hearing afterwards of her success as a teacher, and of her winning hearts to herself and Christ, was not surprised for she said, 'Even then she was so full of benevolence that all were drawn to her.' The teacher was not so well satisfied with her success, and said that many times during that summer she thought if she were safely through, she would never teach again. But she did, and many years after was accustomed to say to her pupils, 'If you ever commence teaching and do not succeed, teach until you do succeed.'

When she was eighteen or nineteen she taught in the Center school in Buckland. Reverend Washington Nichols, one who attended the school at that time says, 'When once installed she immediately inaugurated the study of geography with maps, a study entirely new in town. As the maps were not painted, so much of the fine arts was introduced as would trace the boundaries of the states and countries with yellow, red and green. I seem to see her now flying about the large schoolroom, her lips almost buzzing with rapid utterance as she gave directions for these crude essays in drawing and painting. I remember her plain calico dress, well-worn, with homely figures, and how—



farmer's boy that I was—I thought a school ma'am ought to wear better clothes.'

Squire White of Ashfield, as executor of her father's estate, had many interviews with Miss Lyon. Perceiving her unusual abilities he opened the way for her to attend the Sanderson Academy at Ashfield, receiving her into his home, and treating her as one of his own daughters. A member of the family says, 'When Mary, with her books first entered the Academy, her curling auburn hair caught back in heavy masses from her high forehead and twisted in a careless coil on top of her head, her broad figure simply outlined in a factory cotton gown, with a 'running string' at the neck and another at the waist, her giant soul struggling with its angular frame by long strides of her stout limbs, and her elbows beating the air to conquer time and space, her fellow students were inclined to smile.' But when later, she began her recitations, their eyes opened wide with wonder, which soon grew to deepest reverence as the days wore on. As Miss Lyon soon outstripped the other pupils in their studies, the teacher gave her a Latin grammar, thinking that would occupy her for some time. He handed it to her Friday night as she was leaving for home, and Monday afternoon called her up to recite. Interest was awakened by the promptness of her answers. Soon all study suspended: she went through the book with scarcely a correction. The recitation occupied nearly all the afternoon.

She had a passion for gaining knowledge. The family with whom she boarded estimated that on an average she slept only four hours of the twenty-four. All the rest of the time except that devoted to eating was spent in study. Later in life when convinced that such habits were injurious, she showed her powers of self-control by fixing an hour for retiring and always stopped work at that hour, no matter what was left undone. That winter her board was paid with two coverlets spun and woven by herself. The small sum of money accumulated by teaching was soon exhausted, and she was about to leave school, that by spinning and weaving she might gain the means of continuing her education. But the trustees with wise liberality, gave her free tuition for as long as she wished to stay.

In 1821, when Mary was twenty-four, Amanda White, the daughter of Squire White and her most intimate friend, was preparing to enter Reverend Joseph Emerson's school at By-

field. One day finding Mary in tears, she discovered that her friend desired her privileges, but saw no way of attaining them. Miss White stated the case to her father who kindly advanced the necessary funds, and soon after carried the two girls in his own carriage to their destination. There, as her room-mate said, 'She gathered in knowledge by the handful.' Her desire to learn was so intense that she even studied on the Sabbath, giving as an excuse that her time was so short, and her means so limited that she must improve every minute. During a revival in the school that winter she consecrated herself and her talents to God, and from that time used all her powers to bring others to Christ. The next autumn she returned to Ashfield and taught in Sanderson Academy, 'grateful,' as she said, 'to do a little for the school that had done so much for me.' In 1822 she united with the Buckland church. Soon after this public profession of her faith, she organized the first Benevolent Society in Buckland. Such was her zeal that either herself or by proxy she visited every house in town letting down bars and climbing stone walls when necessary, to reach dwellings, and persuading the ladies to knit, from their own material, socks or stockings, and bring them to a certain place at a certain time, when they were to be sold and the proceeds devoted to benevolent objects. In 1824, at the earnest solicitation of the pastor, Mr. Clark, she started a select school in Griswold's hall. That winter she had only twenty-five pupils, most of whom boarded at home, while she lived with Mr. Clark's family.

The school was little known in the community that season, but during the summer as the pupils separated to their homes, they advertised the school well, so that the next winter when the school opened, fathers from all the towns around came bringing their daughters in their large wagons. Miss Lyon gave them such bright, cheery welcome, that the daughters were drawn to her at once, while the fathers were favorably impressed by her sensible remarks.

Her charge for tuition was only a shilling a week. The people of Buckland with like liberality, thought they could board for five shillings a week, making the expenses for the term about fourteen dollars. As the pupils gathered in the hall the next morning, Miss Lyon quickly dispelled the homesick feeling by saying, 'Now, young ladies we shall feel very badly if you can-



not give us part of your hearts. How many of you think your hearts are large enough to love not only those good fathers and mothers, but us also?' Almost every hand went up. Miss Lyon said, 'I thought so,' and then commended them all to the care of the Good Father, and asked his blessing on the work of the coming winter. Miss Fiske admirably portrays the scene when the scholars were informed that Colburn's arithmetic was one of the books to be studied. She said, 'the Colburn's arithmetics were given out, and almost every eye saw for its first question, "How many fingers have you on one hand?"' What a feeling ran through those young hearts. If they could not speak, they could think, and it needed only Miss Lyon's discerning eye to read these thoughts. 'Have I come here to count my fingers? It is too bad to spend fourteen dollars in this way. Oh, if I had only known about this Colburn's arithmetic before my father left!' But the fathers were all gone, and the teacher talked so cheerfully and made everything so pleasant that they all recited their lessons with an outward grace, though the inner feeling was being sacrificed to counting those fingers which they had learned to count while as yet they could hardly know the right hand from the left. The old scholars told the new ones that they were all the previous winter, going through that arithmetic. Some believed, others doubted, while others still, knew it could not be so. A very few conscientious ones felt called upon to make known the state of things to their parents. One who longed to do it, did not think it best because she saw her father was perfectly delighted with Miss Lyon the day he brought her. There was nothing she could do, but perhaps the father of another might be influenced and thus something be gained. So that other one wrote to her father, counseled by her companions. In those days the mail went from Buckland only three times a week, and as no private opportunity occurred for sending, the letter was kept over Sunday. Miss Lyon made that day so pleasant that they were almost sorry they had written such a letter, and about concluded that if they could be let off from Colburn's first lesson they would be willing to stay a little longer. But what should occur Monday morning, but that Miss Lyon should go into school and say, 'Now young ladies, I should not wonder if you felt as though you could not spend your time and money to learn to count your fingers,—that is to study Colburn's first





FRONT VIEW OF MARY LYON BIRTHPLACE

Drawn from memory by E. C. Elmer,  
a later occupant of the house

lesson; neither would I wonder if you felt that your parents would not be willing to have you do it; but I rather think you had better not write those good fathers yet; and I really think you will find your powers a little more taxed than you now think in studying Colburn. Don't you think you had better try it for two weeks? If you want to leave it then, why perhaps I shall think it best for you to do it. Sometimes I change my mind, sometimes my young ladies change their minds, and you may be very sure that I shall not want you to study Colburn's first lesson if you don't want to do it.' Oh how ashamed were those letter writers now! 'She must have heard us on Saturday,' they whispered one to another at recess. 'No one can have told her for we did not tell anyone else; she will think us so mean; we will burn up the letter at once.' It was consumed before recess closed, and those young ladies were in their seats, ready to do anything, but wishing that Miss Lyon had not heard that Saturday night talk, of which and of the letter, she really knew nothing till years afterwards.

They enjoyed the study very much especially as they saw Miss Lyon's delight when she found them ready to answer such questions as, 'four fifths of fifteen are six tenths of how many thirds of twenty-one?' Her pupils did thorough work that winter, and made rapid progress. Remarkably conscientious herself, it was her constant aim to cultivate the conscience in others. She would have her pupils study, not because they would thereby be more admired, or beloved, but because God required it of them that they might do more good in the world.

The Bible lessons were made very pleasant from day to day. Under Miss Lyon's direction, the pupils prepared cards to assist them in learning Scripture History. Miss Fiske says there were twenty cards in a pack and that she has seen them in many of the hill towns of western Massachusetts, where they served to interest the children for hours at a time. One would, perhaps, call out the 'Sons of Noah,' then would come the answer, 'Shem, Ham and Japhet.' Another question would be, 'The father and mother of Moses?' 'Amram and Jochebed'; 'How old was Sarah when she died?' '127 years old.' In this way were various scripture facts in their minds. Miss Lyon prayed most earnestly that the study of the word might be blessed to her pupils.

After weeks of seriousness the spirit was indeed poured out

among them, and about twenty were rejoicing in salvation through Christ. The work did not end there, but as these earnest young workers left at the close of the term, their influence was not confined to their homes. Neighborhood prayer meetings were started. Benevolent societies were formed, and pastors were encouraged by the accession of such active helpers. This was the first revival in a school of which she had the sole charge, and its influence was felt throughout the vicinity. The next two winters were spent in Ashfield. There many of the pupils were young ladies who expected to teach; knowing they would soon be repeating her methods and her sayings, in the little schoolhouses around, she felt deeply her responsibilities as a teacher. In speaking to them of their calling, she would say, 'Young ladies, just think what a privilege it is to labor for immortal minds; how much better than to spend your lives seeking happiness alone. The life I desire for you, is as much above the pleasure-seekers as an archangel is above an infant. You have been accustomed to follow where I have led you; now you are to be seated on thrones of your own. You can sway a golden sceptre; then see that you do it.' During those winters in Ashfield she labored most successfully with Christians as well as the impenitent. She did not ask them 'taken out of the world, but that they might be kept from evil in the world,' by living close to Christ.

The winters of 1829 and 1830 were spent in Buckland. Griswold hall being inadequate for the members who applied for admission, Miss Lyon opened her school in Graham's hall. The people realizing the value of the school made every effort to accommodate the pupils. One gentleman received twenty-four into his family and twenty-five were with Miss Lyon and her two assistants in Mr. Graham's house. In one house the attic was divided into compartments by quilts and coverlets suspended from the roof, thus furnishing sleeping room for eight persons. Many of the young ladies brought provisions from home and boarded themselves. They were willing to endure any privations, that they might enjoy the privileges of Miss Lyon's school. To have spent a year there was sufficient recommendation for anyone desiring to teach. With ninety-nine pupils, Miss Lyon found her time and hands fully occupied, yet she said, 'She never had so good a school; never saw young ladies love to study so well, and never more docile.' In a letter to her sister she said, 'I be-



lieve my schools here have been more interesting every winter. I have never witnessed such an improvement in moral character, in ardent desire to possess meekness, humility, patience and perseverance. We have made it an object to gain enlarged and correct views, especially relating to our country, its character, what needs to be done, what ought to be done and what can be done, and finally, what is our duty. Many refined young ladies brought up in the lap of luxury, thought they would be willing to go to the remotest corner of the world to teach a school among the most degraded and ignorant, if it only might be said of them by their Master, as it was said of one of old 'She hath done what she could.' But more than all, we have been visited by the Holy Spirit. Soon after the school commenced the gentle dews began to descend, and continued to increase until last week, when we were blessed with a plentiful and refreshing shower. More than thirty expressed the hope that they had found the Savior precious to their souls. At the commencement of the term more than forty had indulged this hope, among these there was evidently great improvement in Christian character.'

Knowing that this was Miss Lyon's last year among them, the young ladies treasured carefully the strong, helpful words which fell from her lips. One of her pupils says, 'Miss Lyon said to us many times during the winter, what you do in the world may depend very much on the way in which you spend your time here.' We can never forget the earnestness with which she said, 'Now I trust you will be inflexible in regard to the right; do not yield that, even to please kings, but be very careful to distinguish between right and personal gratification. Make all you can of your intellectual and moral powers and your influence over others. Do something; have a plan; live for some purpose; be faithful and conscientious, and understanding what you are to do; but do not expect to make over this world, or to greatly change your condition in it; but rather ask to do and bear what comes in your way. Always think of God's strength when you feel your weakness and remember that you can come nearer to Him than to any being in the universe. We here desire to educate you to go away among the rich or poor, to live in the country or in the village, in New England, the West, or a foreign land, and wherever you are, remember that God will be with you if you seek to do good to immortal souls.' God certainly was with

those earnest young ladies, as they sought to do good to immortal souls, as was testified by their revivals of 1830 and 1831, which soon followed in the surrounding towns.

Realizing the beneficial influence of a school that sent forth teachers of such a high order, Mr. Griswold, one of Miss Lyon's strongest friends and supporters in Buckland, proposed to combine with others in erecting a suitable building for her school, that it might be permanently established here; but for various reasons she thought it best to decline his offer.

By a remarkable coincidence, Rev. Pliny Fisk, Rev. Jonas King, Rev. Levi Parsons and Miss Lyon were born within forty days and thirty miles of each other. (Note—This is an error. The Reverend gentlemen were each born in 1792, Miss Lyon in 1797). The gentlemen were the first missionaries to Palestine, but to Miss Lyon belongs the high honor of founding a school to advance the Missionary cause. Herself thoroughly imbued with the missionary spirit, she awakened a like interest in the subject among the teachers, pupils and all with whom she came in contact. Mrs. Bowker, the president of our Woman's Board of Foreign Missions ascribes her first interest in Missions, to the efforts of Miss Lyon.

Out of her salary of two hundred dollars, Miss Lyon gave nearly one half to the Missionary Societies, besides the various sums in private benevolence, the question being with her, not 'How much ought I to give?' but rather 'How much may I take for myself?' Stimulated by her example the pupils gave liberally of their slender means. The collections for the year after amounted to more than one thousand dollars. Many of the young ladies, as well as the teachers, gave themselves to the foreign missionary work, while many were engaged in laboring among the heathen in our own land, following Miss Lyon's injunction to 'go where no one else was willing to go.'

Mount Holyoke is still carrying out the principles of its founder. More than one hundred and fifty of its graduates have labored in foreign lands. Two seminaries in Ohio, established on the same principles and presided over by Mount Holyoke graduates, are flourishing and prosperous. The Huguenot Seminary in South Africa, and the Girl's school at Oroomiah, Turkey, are daughters of Mount Holyoke, and doing a grand work for elevation of women in those countries. In our own land as well, many are



the women whose lives of self-denial and earnest devotion to the Lord's service testify to the power and efficiency of the teachings of Mary Lyon and her successors."

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The paper written by Miss Hodges was also read at the Centennial observance of the Congregational Church, October 7, 1885. At the meeting of the Board of Missions held in Buckland on August fourth, Mrs. Merriam (Mrs. H. E. of Springfield?) read the following paper on the life of Mary Lyon, which she had compiled from an article by Elizabeth Porter Gould, in *Education* for June of that year:

As civilization advances, bringing its wealth of power for the larger development of man the pioneer becomes more and more an object of appreciative interest. And when such an one has opened the way to a fuller knowledge of the invisible things of the Spirit the interest becomes supreme. Such a pioneer for our American women was Mary Lyon, born in Buckland, February 28th, 1797. Her name is even now known the world over, and her life, as has been well said, is "an added sense to the eleventh chapter of Hebrews."

She was by birthright a woman of faith, receiving from a godly ancestry its heavenly inheritance, "the substance of things hoped for." Hence her life work was unique; the result of a nature which did not need the discipline of doubt in order to grow, nor feel the temptation to waste time in idle speculations. Like the high-born in all realms, in the realms of faith she began life where few end, and the many fail to reach. This faith shines all the brighter when found in conjunction with the magnificent physical energy and superior mental power with which she was also endowed.

When a very young child she showed her mental activity by a little incident which is told of her. Her mother gave her something to do to keep her little fingers busy. She began to work with all the ardor of her nature when she spied an hour-glass upon the shelf before her. She immediately threw down her work and climbed up into a chair to examine it. She was poring over it when her mother came into the room and asked her what she was doing. "Oh," said the child, all excited, "I know I have found a way to make more time."

When she first proposed going to school at Byfield—the Reverend Joseph Emerson's—she met with much opposition from the people of her vicinity who thought she already



knew a great deal. They were sure she had learning enough to teach their daughters, and as "she would never be a minister," "why should she go off to Byfield to school?" But her mother, who was always in sympathy with her, said, "Go, my child." And she went. In later years she told her pupils they would hardly understand what an undertaking that was. "Why, it took us three long days to go by carriage from Ashfield to Byfield!" Miss Lyon ever considered her connection with this school as an important era in her life, for it was here that the spiritual germ which her mental activity had hidden—not crushed—was so quickened as to cause her sorrow that her unbounded hunger for knowledge had so absorbed her. "She had left no room for a Savior's love." "Oh, my leanness! my leanness!" was her cry in the presence of such love. And from that time her mind and heart grew more in harmony; in other words, her intellect became sanctified by divine love. She began to exemplify in herself the possibility of what she once said to her pupils, "The same amount of talent will rise higher with benevolence."

When a teacher at Ipswich, during a long absence of Miss Grant, she writes of her life of peace in the midst of such arduous cares and responsibilities. In one she says: "Goodness and mercy follow me continually. My daily business connected with school is particularly sweet and delightful. There is an unusual evenness and uniformity in my feelings—freedom from excitement. My cup is full and running over. I often say to myself, 'How sweet are all my labors! How sweet is life! Ah, is not this a life worth living!'"

In looking for the secret of such peace and joy we find in another letter this expression of her soul: "Whatever sphere or situation God may appoint, it is enough if I can see the path of duty. This lesson of depending on God, 'day by day' for daily bread, is one I desire to learn. I have often found myself attempting to 'preserve this manna till morning, but have never succeeded.'" Surely this is the life of faith when prayer is the soul's breath. Of her teaching she says: "Oh! that I might have a heart to receive into my inmost soul the glorious truths which emanate from many a 'radiant point.' I must let the Bible take the lead then I care not how closely intellectual philosophy follows after." During these years she was blessed with great physical health, so much so that in one letter she says: "Oh! that my soul were in health, as my body is! I feel so well every morning when I arise that I do emphatically enjoy health." This wonderful physical vigor is realized more when we remember that when she was getting her education she helped support herself by spinning and

weaving. The blue cloth dress which she wore while teaching in Drury and Ipswich she spun and wove herself. Indeed she even knit window curtains and gloves, and tried embroidery with some success. It was while Mary Lyon was teaching those winter schools in Buckland that she conceived the vague idea of a permanent seminary for women. She brooded over the idea until it became the one question of her life. It is hard for us to realize the obstacles which she had to encounter in the indifference—indeed opposition—of the people themselves to female education. This fact added to the knowledge that she had no money with which to begin such an enterprise makes her afterwork stand out as a stupendous accomplishment.

I was talking only recently with a lady who said she remembered perfectly well when Mary Lyon came home (at this time) to her brother's in Ashfield. "Why, I can see her now," said she, "just how she looked and talked. One day I remember she came to our house (we lived neighbors to her mother) with a new idea. She had been thinking over what she could do to get more money when she thought of two aunts of mine, who lived in Conway; so she came to ask father if he couldn't take her there. He was very busy, so said I might take her. Of course I was delighted, and can never forget that ride. Miss Lyon (then thirty-seven years old) was so full of enthusiasm concerning her plan, that young as I was, I received from her an inspiration in the cause of education for women that has never left me. When she was pleading her cause with my aunts all I could do was to look at her in wonder. They each pledged her one hundred dollars. And when, soon after, their homestead was burned, and through the failure of one who had care of their money, they lost that also, they were so determined to fulfill their pledge that they worked with their own hands until every cent was paid. In such a spirit was the work carried on. I also remember how her mother used to come in and talk with my mother about her discouragements. One day, after talking a long while, she threw herself back in her chair and said, 'But Mary will not give up. She just walks the floor and says, over and over again, when all is so dark, "Commit thy way unto the Lord; He will help thee. Women must be educated; they must be."' 'Yes,' added the lady, her face shining with the joy of such happy memories, 'yes, Mary Lyon was a woman of faith and in her own native region she had a trial of it too. She was called visionary, and considered almost crazy in what she was attempting to do. But she succeeded, and the women of today owe to her more than they realize. I can never see Mount Holyoke Seminary without seeing that soul shining in Mary Lyon's face as



she talked with my aunts that summer day, so many years ago. That was what gave the Seminary birth.'

In her waiting months her courage was wonderful, her perseverance amazing. To a friend she writes: "I do not expect that it will be carried forward on 'flowery beds of ease!' This I have never asked. I only ask that it may receive the smile of Providence in that way which shall best promote the interests of the great cause to which it is consecrated." To another she said: "One of the nicest of mental operations is to distinguish between the very difficult and what is utterly impossible."

In October, 1836, the corner stone of Mount Holyoke Seminary was laid with impressive ceremonies, in which Mary Lyon stooped down and wrote: "The Lord hath remembered our low estate." Soon after she wrote to a friend, "This will be an era in female education; the work will not stop with this institution," a prophecy only too true when we think of the institutions patterned after it in this and heathen lands. Her idea of its grand features were an elevated standard of science, literature and refinement, at a moderate expense. All to be guided and modified by the spirit of the gospel. Her magnificent devotion to the work is shown in this expression: "Had I a thousand lives I could sacrifice them all in hardship for its sake. Did I possess the greatest fortune I could readily relinquish it all and become poor, and more than poor, if its prosperity should demand it." She also wrote Miss Catherine Beecher: "I do not mean to ask any other one connected with the institution to make such sacrifices as I can cheerfully make." Noble woman!

Her large love and sympathy for her pupils was predominant. A revered teacher, who is still at Mount Holyoke, said recently: "I can never forget the day in 1848 when as a pupil I came to this Seminary, Miss Lyon met me with a face full of love, put her arms around me, and then showed me to my room." A face full of love—that tells the secret of her power.

Her pupils have always remembered particularly her practical and religious conversations. The school from the first was blessed with gentle and wonderful visits of the Holy Spirit. In one of these hushed times she said to her girls, "Say little, pray much," then exclaimed, "Oh, wonderful, wonderful, this work in which we have a share. How would angels delight to have a share in it!"

In a year when death took some of her pupils, and then her mother and sister, she said, "Those were the days in which I could not attempt anything except to ask God to hold me by His own hand." Another evidence of the woman of faith.



She was not satisfied with working only for her own countrywomen. Her heart went out for the education of women in heathen lands. In a year when the missionary spirit seemed to languish and funds were sadly lacking, she was so impressed with the thought that something must be done that she sat up nights after the girls had retired and poured out her feelings in a little book of one hundred and two pages, which she called a *Missionary Offering* (the only book she ever wrote). She ever contributed generously to the cause, giving several years before her death no less than ninety dollars a year to home and foreign missions. Her influence was so powerfully felt that in the seven years before her death the seminary contributed seven thousand dollars to the same cause. And what is more remarkable, when she died, she left of her earnings, which never exceeded two hundred dollars a year, between two thousand and three thousand dollars for missionary work. She had little care for her toilet, and even when adjusting her bonnet strings was heard to say, "Well, I may fail of heaven, but I shall be very much disappointed if I do—very much disappointed."

In her last talk with her girls she said: "There is nothing in the universe that I fear but that I shall not know all my duty, or shall fail to do it."—those immortal words now inscribed on her tombstone. She died March fifth, 1849, at the age of fifty-two, of congestion of the brain; was delirious most of the time, but in a lucid moment said, smiling, "I should love to come back and watch over this seminary but God will take care of it." Another prophecy most wonderfully fulfilled. The great monument of her life is this Seminary which casts its shadow even into foreign lands. And today, Mary Lyon, though dead, still speaks the great truth which animated her life on earth—that the realm of the invisible has solid foundations, to be seen only by the eye of faith. It is for us to remember, as we accept the precious legacy of such a life, that on the realization of this truth, lies the hope of nations as well as individuals.



## CHAPTER

# 13

### OFFICIAL LISTS

*It is impossible that the higher life of the community should be served without someone's taking the trouble to do it.*

#### CIVIL LIST

Member of the Governor's Council: John Porter.  
State Senators: Major Joseph Griswold—Henry Winn—  
Charles E. Ward—Albert C. Bray.

#### REPRESENTATIVES

THE Constitution of the state of Massachusetts was adopted in 1780, and to this meeting Thompson Maxwell was sent as Buckland's representative. It provided for town representation in the legislature, although towns sometimes failed to send men to that body. The following fairly complete list shows who went from Buckland. In those years where no representative is given, there has been no definite information as to whether the names have not been found, or whether in those years Buckland failed to send a representative, the latter being the greater probability.

1783, Thompson Maxwell; 1784 and 1785, Samuel Taylor; 1787, Thompson Maxwell; 1791-92 and 94, Samuel Taylor; 1796, Josiah Johnson; 1800, Lemuel Taylor; 1804, Samuel Taylor; 1812-13 and 14, Enos Pomeroy; 1815-16 and 17, Levi White; 1821, Joseph F. Griswold; 1826, Robert Lazell; 1827, Joseph F. Griswold; 1829-30 and 31, John Porter.

The tenth amendment to the Constitution enacted in May 1831, changed the beginning of the political year from the last Wednesday of May to the first Wednesday of January. The

representatives elected by Buckland on the date given (their service being the year following) were:

1832, Erastus Taylor; 1833-34 and 35, Amos Shepard; 1836 and 37, Ezra Howes; 1838, John Porter; 1839 and 40, Joseph F. Griswold; 1841, Amos Shepard; 1842, Ansel Taylor; 1843, Ira Arms; 1844, Ansel Taylor; 1845, Gardner Wilder; 1846, John Porter; 1848, William Sherwin; 1851 and 52, Bartlett Ballard; 1853, William Sherwin; 1854, Josiah W. Griswold; 1855, Luther Bullard; 1857, Samuel L. Bardwell.

The twenty-first amendment, enacted in May 1857, provided for the representative districts, instead of the town representation hitherto prevailing. The districts of which Buckland was at different times a part, elected:

1858, William T. Clement; 1862, Gilbert T. Hayes and Thomas F. Orcutt; 1863, Gilbert T. Hayes; 1867, George D. Crittenden; 1872, Chauncey L. Spear; 1873, Ezekiel D. Bement; 1876, Alanson W. Ward; 1877, Henry Winn; 1883, Henry L. Warfield; 1887, Enoch J. Stockwell; 1895, Hugo Mann; 1901-02-03-04 and 05, Charles E. Ward; 1916-1918, Albert C. Bray; 1922-24 Rev. Elisha Hooper.

#### THE COUNTY CIVIL LIST

Josiah W. Griswold represented Buckland as a delegate to the Constitutional Convention held in 1853.

Deputy Sheriff: Anson Bement.

#### Justices of the Peace:

Samuel Taylor	Joseph Griswold
Amos Shepard	E. D. Bement
George D. Crittenden	Thomas B. Montague, 1854.
Japhet Chapin	Ezra Howes
Zebulon Field	Rufus Trowbridge
Josiah A. Richmond	Albert Amstein
Levi Sprague	John Sprague
Levi White	Josiah Trow, 1854.
Henry Warfield	Fred Warfield
Herbert Gould	
John Tobey, Justice of Peace and Decorum	
John Porter, Justice throughout the Commonwealth	



## COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

An Act abolishing the Court of Sessions and establishing in their stead County Commissioners, was approved by the General Court on February 28, 1828. At first the Governor and Council made three year appointments, but in 1835 the office was made elective. Those serving from Buckland in this capacity, so far as known, have been:

Ebenezer Maynard    George D. Crittenden    James D. Avery

Of these Ebenezer Maynard was on the board at the time the brick court house in Greenfield (recently given up for such use) was built in 1848. During the 1850's, Honorable Whiting Griswold characterized him as the ablest man up to that time, to have served on that board.

Buckland belongs to the Congressional District No. 1; to the Franklin and Hampshire Senatorial and Councillor Districts; to the First Franklin Representative District.

## TOWN OFFICERS

The following lists of town officers are not complete. They have been assembled from such sources as the Greenfield Gazette and Courier file, County papers, deeds, probate papers, records of W. O. Taylor, and maps. In the earlier days apparently the assessors' and selectmen's offices were filled by the same men. About 1829 and from then on this custom varied.

SELECTMEN	TOWN CLERK—TREASURER
1781. Philip Matthewson	Gardner Wilder,
John Watkins	Treasurer
1793.	Samuel Taylor,
	Treasurer
1794. Elijah Thayer	
Eli Fuller	
Stephen Allis	
1796.	Elijah Thayer, Treasurer
1799.	Samuel Taylor, Clerk, and
	to 1820
	Alpheus Brooks, Treasurer,
	and to 1831

SELECTMEN	TOWN CLERK—TREASURER
1806. Japhet Chapin Stephen Allis Jeremiah Ward	
1814. Levi White Enos Pomeroy	
1815. Levi White Robert Lazell Gardner Wilder	
1818. Robert Lazell Stephen Allis Jeremiah Ward	
1819. Robert Lazell	
1820. Japhet Chapin Joseph Griswold John Tobey	
1821. Joseph Griswold	
1822. Japhet Chapin Joseph Griswold Josiah Pratt	
1823. Robert Lazell Joseph Hubbard William Putnam	Dea. John Porter, Clerk
1824. Robert Lazell Joseph Hubbard William Putnam	Dea. John Porter, Clerk
1825. William Putnam	
*1826. Robert Lazell Joseph Hubbard William Putnam	Dea. John Porter, Clerk
1827. Japhet Chapin John Porter Elisha Smith	
1829. Joseph Griswold	Amos Shepard, Clerk
1830. Elisha Smith Eliphaz Woodward Alvah Lazell	Amos Shepard, Clerk
1831. Elisha Smith Eliphaz Woodward Alvah Lazell	Amos Shepard, Clerk

\*The County Commissioner's records state that Levi White was selectman this year.

SELECTMEN	TOWN CLERK—TREASURER
1832. Capt. Elisha Smith Levi Sprague Alvah Lazell	Amos Shepard, Clerk Capt. William Putnam, Treasurer
1833. Rufus Trowbridge Levi Sprague Joseph Hubbard	Amos Shepard, Clerk Capt. William Putnam, Treasurer
1834.	Capt. William Putnam, Treasurer
1835. Joseph Hubbard Apollos Brackett John Sprague	Ezra Howes, Clerk Joseph Allen, Treasurer
1836. Rufus Trowbridge Levi Sprague Luther Pratt	William Sherwin, Clerk Joseph Allen, Treasurer
1837.	William Sherwin, Clerk Ebenezer Maynard, Treasurer
1838.	Ebenezer Maynard, Treasurer
1839.	Ezra Howes, Clerk Ezra Howes, Treasurer
1841. John Porter Ansel Taylor Samuel Allis	Lucius Graham, Clerk Ezra Howes, Treasurer
1844. John Porter Robert Lazell	Ebenezer Maynard, Treasurer
1845. John Porter Bartlett Ballard Ansel Taylor	Ebenezer Maynard, Treasurer
1846. Job Woodward Bartlett Ballard Ansel Taylor	William Sherwin, Clerk Alpheus Brooks, Jr. Treasurer
1847. Job Woodward Bartlett Ballard Ansel Taylor	William Sherwin, Clerk
SELECTMEN	TOWN CLERK AND TREASURER
1849. Bartlett Ballard J. S. Brown Robert Lazell	Josiah Griswold
1850. William Sherwin Noah D. Williams John Tobey	Josiah Griswold
	Josiah W. Griswold



SELECTMEN	TOWN CLERK AND TREASURER
1851. Ansel Taylor Noah D. Williams Graham K. Ward	Josiah W. Griswold
1852. Robert Lazell James W. Sprague Hezekiah Ward	Josiah W. Griswold
1853. Bartlett Ballard Samuel Tobey Alpheus Brooks	Josiah W. Griswold
1854. Bartlett Ballard J. W. Sprague Robert Lazell	Josiah W. Griswold
1856. David Hawks N. D. Williams J. B. Frost	
1858. David Hawks J. W. Griswold Welcome Whiting	Samuel L. Bardwell
1859. David Hawks S. J. Ward Almon Howes	Samuel L. Bardwell
1860. Bartlett Ballard	Samuel L. Bardwell
1861. Samuel Tobey Samuel L. Bardwell Thomas Orcutt	Samuel L. Bardwell
1862. Samuel Tobey T. Orcutt E. B. Williams	Samuel L. Bardwell
1863. David Hawks Thomas Orcutt E. B. Williams	Samuel Tobey
1864. David Hawks Thomas Orcutt E. B. Williams	Samuel Tobey
1865. David Hawks Thomas Orcutt J. Griswold	Samuel Tobey
1866. S. W. McKnight Sumner Ward Bartlett Ballard	Samuel Tobey
1867. S. W. McKnight Sumner Ward Bartlett Ballard	Samuel Tobey

	SELECTMEN	TOWN CLERK AND TREASURER
1868.	David Hawks Oswin Johnson J. W. Griswold	Royal L. Packard
1869.	David Hawks Oswin Johnson J. W. Griswold	Royal L. Packard
1870.	R. L. Packard J. W. Griswold N. D. Williams	Royal L. Packard
1871.	R. L. Packard N. D. Williams E. D. Bement	Royal L. Packard
1872.	S. W. McKnight N. D. Williams E. D. Bement	Royal L. Packard
1873.	S. W. McKnight N. D. Williams E. D. Bement	Royal L. Packard
1874.	S. W. McKnight N. D. Williams E. D. Bement.	Royal L. Packard
1875.	S. W. McKnight N. D. Williams E. D. Bement	Royal L. Packard
1876.	J. W. Griswold A. W. Ward Josiah A. Richmond	Royal L. Packard
1877.	J. W. Griswold A. W. Ward E. D. Bement	Royal L. Packard
1878.	S. W. McKnight W. B. Caswell Zophar Woodward	Royal L. Packard
1879.	George D. Crittenden James D. Avery Justus B. Frost	Royal L. Packard
1880.	Zophar Woodward Josiah Griswold Justus B. Frost	Royal L. Packard
1881.	Zophar Woodward Eber Stratton Andrew Sauer	Royal L. Packard

SELECTMEN	TOWN CLERK AND TREASURER
1882. Zophar Woodward Eber Stratton Andrew Sauer	Royal L. Packard
1883. Zophar Woodward Eber Stratton Andrew Sauer	Royal L. Packard
1884. Zophar Woodward Eber Stratton Andrew Sauer	Royal L. Packard
1885. Zophar Woodward Eber Stratton Andrew Sauer	Clifton L. McKnight
1886. Josiah A. Richmond James D. Avery Joseph W. Whiting	Clifton L. McKnight
1887. Zophar Woodward James D. Avery Joseph W. Whiting	Clifton L. McKnight
1888. Frederick Forbes Emerson J. Griswold Michael Atkins	Clifton L. McKnight
1889. Frederick Forbes Emerson J. Griswold Michael Atkins	Clifton L. McKnight
1890. Emerson Griswold Michael Atkins George Rowland	Clifton L. McKnight
1891. Emerson Griswold Michael Atkins George Rowland	Clifton L. McKnight
1892. Emerson Griswold Michael Atkins George Rowland	Clifton L. McKnight
1893. Emerson Griswold Freeman Davenport Albert Amstein	Clifton L. McKnight
1894. Eli C. Maynard Spencer Woodward Emerson Griswold	Albert C. Bray
1895. Emerson Griswold Charles Ward Spencer Woodward	Albert C. Bray



SELECTMEN	TOWN CLERK AND TREASURER
1896. Frank D. Kendrick Emerson Griswold Zophar Woodward	Albert C. Bray
1897. Emerson Griswold James D. Avery Albert Amstein	Albert C. Bray
1898. Emerson Griswold Asahel Hawks Albert Amstein	Albert C. Bray
1899. Emerson Griswold Asahel Hawks Albert Amstein	Albert C. Bray
1900. Albert Amstein Erwin Mallory H. Bertelle Wells	Albert C. Bray
1901. H. Bertelle Wells Erwin Mallory Albert Amstein	Albert C. Bray
1902. James D. Avery Andrew Sauer William S. Williams	Albert C. Bray
1903. James D. Avery Andrew Sauer William S. Williams	Albert C. Bray
1904. James D. Avery Andrew Sauer William S. Williams	Albert C. Bray
1905. James D. Avery Andrew Sauer William S. Williams	Albert C. Bray
1906. James D. Avery Andrew Sauer William S. Williams	Albert C. Bray
1907. James D. Avery Andrew Sauer William S. Williams	Albert C. Bray
1908. William S. Williams Cyrus O. Temple Edmond G. Wilder	Albert C. Bray
1909. James D. Avery Frank Temple William S. Williams	Albert C. Bray

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SELECTMEN	TOWN CLERK AND TREASURER
1910. James D. Avery William S. Williams Frank Temple	Albert C. Bray
1911. James D. Avery William S. Williams Cyrus O. Temple	Albert C. Bray
1912. James D. Avery William S. Williams Cyrus O. Temple	Albert C. Bray
1913. James D. Avery Robert A. Stetson Allen F. March	Albert C. Bray
1914. Lewis H. Johnson Robert A. Stetson Edmond G. Wilder	Albert C. Bray
1915. Robert Stetson Lewis Johnson Edmond G. Wilder	Albert C. Bray
1916. William S. Williams Lewis Johnson Walter E. Legate	Albert C. Bray
1917. William S. Williams Lewis Johnson Walter E. Legate	Albert C. Bray
1918. Walter E. Legate William S. Williams Walter S. Stanford	Albert C. Bray
1919. Walter E. Legate William S. Williams Walter S. Stanford	Albert C. Bray
1920. Walter S. Stanford William S. Williams Almon B. Hale	Albert C. Bray
1921. Walter S. Stanford Walter E. Legate Eugene Elmer	Albert C. Bray
1922. Walter S. Stanford Eugene Elmer Walter Legate	Albert C. Bray
1923. Walter S. Stanford Eugene Elmer Benjamin Eddy	Albert C. Bray

SELECTMEN	TOWN CLERK AND TREASURER
1924. Walter S. Stanford B. O. Eddy G. E. Griswold	Albert C. Bray
1925. Walter S. Stanford G. E. Griswold Frank Chandler	Albert C. Bray
1926. Walter S. Stanford G. E. Griswold Frank Chandler	Albert C. Bray
1927. Walter S. Stanford G. E. Griswold Walter E. Legate	Albert C. Bray

The gentlemen elected to office in 1927 as selectmen and assessors, Walter S. Stanford, Gilbert E. Griswold and Walter E. Legate have been annually re-elected and are still in 1935 holding those positions.

In 1931 Winthrop Anderson was chosen in place of Albert C. Bray who had served as clerk and treasurer since 1894 and desired to be relieved. Mr. Anderson in 1935, is still serving in this dual capacity.

#### ASSESSORS AND MODERATORS

The list of Assessors and Moderators, so far as known, is thus tabulated:

ASSESSORS	MODERATORS
1829. Rufus Trowbridge Levi Sprague Nathan Howes	
1830. Elisha Smith Eliphaz Woodward Alvah Lazell	
1831. Rufus Trowbridge Levi Sprague Amos Shepard	
1832. Eliphaz Woodward Nathan Howes Amos Shepard	
1833. Amos Shepard Erastus Taylor John Porter	



## ASSESSORS

## MODERATORS

1834. Rufus Trowbridge  
Amos Shepard  
Joel Woodward

1836. Rufus Trowbridge  
Levi Sprague  
Luther Pratt

1841. Amos Shepard  
Levi Sprague  
Ezra B. Sherwin

1846. Robert Lazell  
T. B. Montague  
William Sherwin

1850. T. B. Montague  
Robert Lazell  
E. D. Bement

1851. T. B. Montague  
Franklin Ballard  
Graham K. Ward

1852. Robert Lazell  
David Hawks  
Alpheus Brooks

1853. Bartlett Ballard  
Samuel Tobey  
Alpheus Brooks

1854. David Hawks  
Alpheus Brooks  
Robert Lazell

1856. David Hawks  
J. Griswold  
Samuel Ward

1858. David Hawks  
Sumner J. Ward  
Almon Howes

1859. David Hawks  
Sumner J. Ward  
Almon Howes

1860. Samuel Tobey  
Samuel L. Bardwell  
Thomas Orcutt

1861. Samuel Tobey  
Samuel L. Bardwell  
Thomas Orcutt

John Porter

Gilbert B. Hayes

Luther Bullard

Gilbert B. Hayes

ASSESSORS	MODERATORS
1862.	Gilbert B. Hayes
1863. Samuel Tobey Samuel L. Bardwell E. B. Williams	Hezekiah Ward
1864. David Hawks Thomas Orcutt E. B. Williams	Gilbert B. Hayes
1865. J. B. Frost David Hawks Zophar Woodward	Gilbert B. Hayes
1866. David Hawks Samuel Ward Samuel Tobey	Luther Bullard
1867. J. B. Frost Samuel Ward Samuel Tobey	
1868. David Hawks Oswin Johnson J. W. Griswold	
1869. David Hawks Oswin Johnson J. W. Griswold	John H. Abbott.
1870. Royal L. Packard J. W. Griswold Noah D. Williams	George D. Crittenden
1871. Royal L. Packard J. W. Griswold Noah D. Williams	
1872. S. W. McKnight Noah D. Williams E. D. Bement	Hezekiah Ward
1873. S. W. McKnight Noah D. Williams E. D. Bement	Hezekiah Ward
1874. S. W. McKnight Noah D. Williams E. D. Bement	George D. Crittenden
1875. S. W. McKnight Noah Williams E. D. Bement	Hezekiah Ward
1876. J. W. Griswold A. W. Ward Josiah A. Richmond	Hezekiah Ward

ASSESSORS	MODERATORS
1877. J. W. Griswold A. W. Ward E. D. Bement	Hezekiah Ward
1878. S. W. McKnight William Caswell Zophar Woodward	George D. Crittenden
1879. George D. Crittenden James D. Avery J. Frost	George D. Crittenden
1880. Zophar Woodward Josiah Griswold Justus Frost	George D. Crittenden
1881. Zophar Woodward Eber E. Stratton Justus B. Frost	Hezekiah Ward
1882. Zophar Woodward Eber E. Stratton Andrew Sauer	George D. Crittenden
1883. Zophar Woodward Eber E. Stratton Andrew Sauer	Reuben Field
1884. Zophar Woodward Eber E. Stratton Andrew Sauer	George D. Crittenden

In 1884 the offices of selectmen and assessors were combined, the 1884 incumbents serving until 1909. For list of assessors for these years see selectmen:

1909. H. B. Wells  
A. J. Amstein  
W. Williams
1910. H. B. Wells  
John D. Avery  
W. Williams

This same board continued in office as assessors until 1923.

1923. H. B. Wells  
Albert C. Bray  
W. S. Williams

These three served until 1928.

1928. H. B. Wells  
Albert C. Bray  
W. S. Williams



In 1931 H. B. Wells died and his place on the board was taken by Earl Lilly and Lilly, Bray and Williams have continued in office through 1935.

George D. Crittenden continued as moderator at the annual meetings until 1903 when he was superseded by Henry Warfield. In 1904 Hugo Mann served. In 1905 Charles E. Ward began to serve and continued until 1918 when Warren D. Forbes presided as he did also in 1919 and 1920. Fred Warfield wielded the gavel in 1921, 1922 and 1923 and gave place in 1925 to Reverend E. G. Hooper, who served also in 1925. Beginning in 1926 and until the present the office has been filled by Charles Trow.

#### SCHOOL COMMITTEE

1813. Stephen Allis, Timothy Lyon, Jonathan Ward, Zenas Graham, Levi Taylor, Adam McNitt.

1829. Oliver Rawson, Samuel Ruddock, Jonathan Ward, William Forbes, Dr. Lawson Long, John Nims, Enos Taylor, Jr., Noah Willis, Jr., Ebenezer Hathaway. The above were known as the School District Committee.

The school committee were: John Porter, William Sherwin, Calvin Pomeroy, Oliver Coleman.

1831. John Porter, George Chapman, Theodocius Wood, Seth Leonard, Oliver Rawson, Capt. E. Maynard, Thomas Thayer, Charles Elmer, Joseph Nichols.

These were a School District committee.

1832. John Porter, William Forbes, Abner Townsley, the school committee. Silas Trowbridge, John Sprague, Levi Sprague, Peter Butler, Jr., Amos Shepard, Harvey Wight, Nathan Howes, Joseph Nichols, School District Committee.

1833. John Porter, Erastus Taylor, William Sherwin.

1836. John Porter, Erastus Taylor, William Sherwin.

1841. John Porter, Dr. Nathaniel G. Trow, Abijah Thayer.

1847. William Sherwin, T. B. Montague, J. P. Ward.

1848. Frederick Forbes, P. P. Sanderson, Thomas B. Montague.

1849. William Sherwin, Rev. P. P. Sanderson, Rev. Solomon Cushman.

1850. Frederick Forbes, E. D. Bement, Graham K. Ward.

1851. Graham K. Ward, N. W. Sherwin, E. A. Davis.

1852. Frederick Forbes, William C. Porter, T. B. Montague.

1853. Frederick Forbes, John Abbott, William C. Porter.

1854. Frederick Forbes, P. C. Montague, E. D. Bement, G. K. Ward, W. C. Porter.

1855. G. K. Ward, Samuel Tobey, George D. Crittenden.  
1856. F. H. Forbes.  
1857. Frederick Forbes, Edwin A. Davis, George D. Crittenden.  
Now one member was chosen for a term of three years.  
1858, 1859, 1860, Dr. Josiah Trow, Samuel Tobey, Graham K. Ward.  
1861. Graham K. Ward, Samuel Tobey, S. Ballard.  
1862. Rev. Charles Lord, S. P. Ballard, Graham K. Ward.  
1863 and 1864. the same.  
1865. Samuel Tobey, S. P. Ballard, John H. Abbott.  
1866. D. W. Wilcox, John H. Abbott, J. W. Griswold.  
1867. Graham K. Ward, D. W. Wilcox, John H. Abbott.  
1868. D. W. Wilcox, Graham K. Ward, Rev. E. J. Moors.  
1869. D. W. Wilcox, E. A. Davis, Graham K. Ward.  
1870. H. L. Warfield, D. W. Wilcox, E. A. Davis.  
1871. D. W. Wilcox, H. L. Warfield, E. A. Davis.  
1872. D. W. Wilcox, H. L. Warfield, E. A. Davis.  
1873. E. A. Davis, W. T. Young, H. L. Warfield.  
1874. H. L. Warfield, George D. Crittenden, Hugo Mann.  
1875. Hugo Mann, H. L. Warfield, George D. Crittenden.  
1876. George D. Crittenden, Hugo Mann, H. L. Warfield.  
1877. Erwin G. Ward, George D. Crittenden, Hugo Mann.  
1878. G. D. Crittenden, Hugo Mann, Erwin Ward.  
1879. Frederick Forbes, George D. Crittenden, Hugo Mann.  
1880. Frederick Forbes, Hugo Mann, Mrs. Ella C. Drabble,  
resigned, Lucy Trowbridge.  
1881. R. W. Field, Hugo Mann, Frederick Forbes.  
1882. Erwin Ward, R. W. Field, Hugo Mann.  
1883. Hugo Mann, Erwin G. Ward, R. W. Field.  
1884. R. W. Field, Hugo Mann, Horace B. Graham.  
1885. E. C. Maynard, R. W. Field, Hugo Mann.  
1886. Clifton L. McKnight, E. C. Maynard, R. W. Field.  
1887. E. C. Maynard, Clifton L. McKnight, M. Z. Woodward.  
1888. E. C. Maynard, Clifton L. McKnight, M. Z. Woodward.  
1889. E. C. Maynard, Clifton L. McKnight, Warren D. Forbes.  
1890. E. C. Maynard, Clifton L. McKnight, Warren D. Forbes.  
1891. E. C. Maynard, Clifton L. McKnight, H. L. Warfield.  
1892. E. C. Maynard, Henry L. Warfield, Clifton L. McKnight.  
1893. Clifton L. McKnight, Henry L. Warfield, E. C. Maynard.  
1894. E. C. Maynard, R. W. Field.

1895. E. C. Maynard, R. W. Field, deceased,—Frank Chandler, Arthur Rowland.  
1896. E. C. Maynard, Arthur Rowland, Frank Chandler.  
1897. Charles E. Ward, Arthur J. Rowland, Frank H. Chandler.  
1898. Charles E. Ward, A. J. Rowland, resigned—H. Newell, Frank H. Chandler.  
1899. Charles E. Ward, H. Newell, Frank Chandler.  
1900. Charles E. Ward, H. Newell, Frank Chandler.  
1901. Charles E. Ward, George D. Crittenden, Andrew Sauer.  
1902. Charles E. Ward, Andrew Sauer, Frank H. Chandler.  
1903. Andrew Sauer, Charles Trow, Frank H. Chandler.  
1904. Andrew Sauer, Charles Trow, Frank H. Chandler.  
1905. Andrew Sauer, S. H. Walker, Charles W. Trow.  
1906-1907-1908. the same.  
1909. Andrew Sauer, S. H. Walker, Frank Chandler.  
1910-1911. The same.  
1912. Andrew Sauer, S. H. Walker, Charles Trow.  
1913. A. Sauer, deceased—George Turton, S. H. Walker, Charles Trow.  
1914. George Turton, S. H. Walker, Charles Trow.  
1915. Charles W. Trow, S. H. Walker, George Turton.  
1916. S. H. Walker, Charles W. Trow, Mrs. Harriet Amstein.  
1917. Charles W. Trow, Mrs. Harriet Amstein, Walter S. Stanford.  
1918. Walter S. Stanford, Hezekiah E. Ward, Harriet Amstein.  
1919. Walter S. Stanford, resigned in Aug.—Rev. E. G. Hooper, Harriet Amstein, Hezekiah E. Ward.  
1920. Hezekiah E. Ward, Harriet Amstein, Rev. E. G. Hooper.  
1921-1922. the same.  
1923. Hezekiah E. Ward, Harriet Amstein, deceased—Fannie S. Kendrick, Rev. E. G. Hooper.  
1924-1925. Hezekiah E. Ward, Fannie S. Kendrick, Rev. E. G. Hooper.  
1926. Hezekiah E. Ward, Fannie S. Kendrick, E. C. Baker.  
1927. E. C. Baker, Fannie S. Kendrick, Nelson Ward.  
1928-1929-1930. the same.  
1931. Fannie S. Kendrick, E. C. Baker, Nelson Ward, resigned—Preston Warfield.

This last committee is now finishing its fifth year of service having been annually re-elected.





CHAPTER

14

THE CIVIL WAR

*There is sound of thunder afar,  
Storm in the South that darkens the day  
Storm of battle and thunder of war—  
Well if it do not roll our way.*

BY those who had given the matter deep thought, for some months before the actual outbreak of hostilities, the coming of the Civil War had been anticipated as inevitable. In December 1860, reports had been made by William Schouler, Adjutant-General of Massachusetts, indicating some measures which could be put into effect in case of an outbreak. These suggestions were adopted by Governor Andrew and "on the sixteenth day of January, eleven days after his inauguration, he directed the Adjutant-General to issue General Order No. 4," which created intense interest throughout the state and especially among the active militia.

By this order the commanding officers were to determine the exact status of each man, record and transmit the same to the office of the Adjutant-General. Vacancies were to be filled, men drilled, uniformed and recorded. Here in western Massachusetts, in the old Tenth regiment, these orders were put into immediate effect. On February 6, 1861, the House of Representatives passed a bill to bring up the volunteer militia to war-time strength. Co. H. of Shelburne was one of the eight companies of which the old Tenth regiment was composed and it was continued as a component part of that organization.

At the outset of the war it was thought by the war department—it was said—that 75,000 men was a sufficiently large army to

be raised and that the Rebellion could hardly be expected to last more than ninety days. The old Massachusetts Tenth was one of the regiments chosen to complete the requirements of the Secretary of War. This was recruited from the western part of the state, remaining in camp near and in Springfield until completely organized.

The first action taken by Buckland as a town was on April 24, 1861, when at a town meeting there was voted the sum of five hundred dollars to uniform the militia in Buckland, and Shelburne citizens voted a like sum for their soldiers.

#### COMPANY H.

On Wednesday, May 15, "Company H. marched through Buckland to Ashfield where they encamped Wednesday night, and from Ashfield to Conway, where they encamped Thursday night. They were hospitably entertained at both places by the citizens. At Buckland the pupils of the young ladies' school arranged themselves, equipped with flags, upon the common, and as the company approached, saluted them with waving flags and handkerchiefs and three cheers. Mrs. Dr. Trow, the pastor's wife, and Mrs. Lord, together with other patriotic ladies of the village, brought baskets of eatables fresh from their pantries, and the soldiers with guns stacked soon made way with the good things provided. One of the ladies with impassioned gesture, made this remark to some of the soldiers who were fast making way with her choicest pastry: 'If ever you prove traitors, or *back out* in this glorious cause, you shall never have another piece of Buckland pie.' On the next day, Friday, the Company left Shelburne Falls for Springfield."

On June 24, it was voted to pay state aid to the families of volunteers as provided by Legislative Act.

There were several flag raisings at Buckland through this summer. One occurred on June eight, with speaking by Reverend Mr. Lord, Reverend John W. Lee, Dr. Trow, Deacon Putnam, Frederick Forbes, H. and G. Ward, interspersed with cheering and singing. Enlistments were of frequent occurrence, not only in the Shelburne Falls but in other companies. Company H. included twenty men from Buckland.

## REV. JOHN W. LEE

During the fall Reverend John W. Lee, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church, was authorized to raise a company in Franklin County for General Butler's Brigade. Reverend Lee had received a military education in the Duke of York school in England, serving there seven years. He had lived eight years in London, England, and having served that length of time in the British Army, he was therefore, well qualified to hold the position of Captain of this new company, which included a number of men from Buckland. On October 31, a grand union meeting was held in their honor, gifts, including pocket testaments, were bestowed and farewell exercises held. This company was in camp for a time at Pittsfield. Before leaving for the front, about January 1st, 1862, Captain Lee was presented by E. G. Lamson of Shelburne Falls, with a very fine sword, sash, belt and revolver.

## STATE RECORDS

On March 3, 1862, the selectmen were authorized to borrow money to provide for the comfort of the soldiers' families living in town. July 26, the town appropriated four hundred dollars for sick and wounded soldiers.

A draft was now in the offing and to prepare for it, General Order No. 38 was issued under date of August 21, 1862, from which the following is an extract:

The selectmen of the several towns and Mayors and Aldermen of the several cities, will immediately return to the office of the Adjutant-General a sworn statement of the names and numbers of their inhabitants who have hitherto been mustered into the service of the United States, whose stipulated term of service has not expired, with the regiments into which they have been enlisted. This return is directed in order that the draft to be made may be equalized as far as possible and towns and cities which have heretofore furnished more men than their just proportions may have due allowance for the same in the draft.

The annexed town paper was secured from the state archives:

Buckland. Oct. 18, 1862.

War Department.

Aug. To the assessors of Buckland, Dr.



1862. To 9 days labor making enrollment as required by General Order.

No. 99 of the war Department. \$18.00

To necessary expenses 9.00

\$27.00

Samuel Tobey, Chairman of the assessors  
of Buckland.

We hereby certify that the above account of our own knowledge is just, reasonable and proper.

Dated at Buckland this 18th day of Oct., 1862.

Thomas Orcutt	} Selectmen of Buckland.
E. B. Williams	

On September eleven, it was voted to pay a bounty of one hundred dollars to each volunteer enlisting for nine months, to the credit of the town, and that the selectmen and treasurer borrow money necessary to pay it. The selectmen were also directed to petition the Legislature to legalize the vote of the town.

Concerning the next quota the following letter appears:

Boston, Jan. 14, 1863.

General Schouler

&c, &c.

Dear Sir;

I hereby engage to recruit to your satisfaction, nine men for the town of Buckland. Will you be good enough to give to Mr. Wells a line saying that you will relieve that town from Drafts by having credited the town with nine men

& Oblige

G. M. Forbes.

January 24, 1863, the selectmen were authorized to procure substitutes for citizens who had been drafted and were unable to serve, the bounty therefor not to exceed \$125 for each man, and to get them "at the least rate possible." On March 2 following, it was voted that the selectmen pay all volunteers' families State aid "who in their opinion are in want."

On July 22, a railroad bridge at Greenfield having been burned, a report was circulated that it had been set on fire by rebels. The selectmen of Buckland appointed twenty night police to protect the bridges and other property in the town.

On August 4, it was voted to pay the same aid to the families of drafted men as was paid to the families of volunteers. On December 12, a vote was passed "that the town authorize the selectmen to use all lawful means to procure volunteers, and that the town shall pay their expenses."

On March 7, 1864 it was voted that the account for recruiting (\$3,532.55) be allowed and placed on record. March 29, the selectmen were authorized to borrow \$2,500 for military purposes; May 23, to raise \$7,625 to procure volunteers, and the selectmen "were to hire substitutes at the lowest possible expense." They were also authorized to borrow money and keep on recruiting until the end of the war. A unanimous vote was taken to refund all money advanced by citizens to procure volunteers. Other meetings were held but nothing in the way of business of general interest as to war measures was transacted.

Buckland is said to have furnished two hundred and nineteen men for the war, which was a surplus of twenty-eight over and above all demands. Two were commissioned officers.

#### MONEYS RAISED

The amount of money raised and expended by the town for war purposes, exclusive of state aid was \$31,500.00. The women of the town did their full share in the way of work for the sanitary commission and for comforts for the soldiers in the field.

The amount of money raised and expended by the town for State aid to the families of volunteers and which was repaid by the Commonwealth was: In 1861, \$629.90; 1862, \$1,581.31; 1863, \$2,411.06; 1864, \$2,782.43; 1865, \$2400, making a total of \$9,804.70.

On Monday evening, April 10, 1865, Buckland celebrated the surrender of Lee and his army, by the ringing of bells, illumination of houses, a torch-light parade, bonfires, and singing.

#### CASUALTY LIST

Berry, Albert L., Co. G., 31st Infantry. age 39; mustered Dec. 2, 1861; discharged Feb. 15, 1864; re-enlisted Feb. 16, 1864 and was then credited to Pittsfield. Died July 5, 1864 at Baton Rouge, La.

Bringolf, Jacob, a native of Switzerland, enlisted from Buckland in Co. H, 10th reg; age 25; mustered June 21, 1861; killed May 31, 1862 at Fair Oaks, Va.

- Butler, Frank B., (enlisted from Buckland,?); served one enlistment; returned home and enlisted a second time in Co. C., 51st regt., N. Y. Vol; rose to rank of Lieutenant; killed Sept. 20, 1864.
- Cutler, Charles D., First Sergeant, mechanic, was born at Guildhall, Vt.; enlisted June 21, 1861 from Buckland; age thirty; mustered into service as first sergeant of Co. H., 10th regt.; killed at Fair Oaks, Va., May 31, 1862.
- Doherty, Michael D., mechanic, born in Ireland; enlisted from Buckland, June 21, 1861; Co. H., 10th regt. age 24; died Sept. 15, 1861 at Washington, D. C.
- Eddy, Luther E., Co. C., 31st regt. Inf.; age 25; mustered Nov. 20, 1861; killed May 18, 1864, at Yellow Bayou, La.
- Farnham, George C., Co. E., 52nd regt.; age 22; enlisted Sept. 1, 1862; mustered Oct. 11, 1862; died in the service of Typhoid Fever, March 7, 1863.
- Graham, George H., Co. I, 13th regt., Veterans Reserve Corps; age 32; died at Gallop's Island, Boston, Dec. 8, 1864.
- Hitzinger, Martin, residence Salmon Falls, N. H.; Co. G., 19th. regt. Infantry; age 44; mustered Jan. 10, 1865; died at Richmond, Va., May 10, 1865. Bounty, \$100. He was probably one of the men hired by the town to complete their quota, and never a resident here.
- Leeland, Benjamin F., mustered as Second-Lieutenant of Co. H., 10th regt. Infantry, June 21, 1861; age 38; killed at Battle of Fair Oaks, May 31, 1862, at which time he was acting as Captain of the company, Captain Miller being in command of the regt.
- Liddy, Anthony, enlisted and mustered February 29, 1864, receiving a bounty of \$325 from Buckland; at Cold Harbor, Va. A member of Co. H., 10th regt. Infantry; age 32; transferred to the 37th regt.; killed June 5, 1864.
- Mehan, William, mechanic, born in Ireland; Co. H., 10th regt. Infantry; age 21; mustered June 21, 1861; died, Columbia College Hospital, Washington, D. C., Oct. 10, 1861.
- Parker, Charles, H., Co. D., 52nd regt. Inf.; age 18; musician; mustered Oct. 11, 1862. His name appears on the Massachusetts Memorial at Baton Rouge, La., followed by "Buckland," and the unit with which he served, given above.
- Prendergast, William, Veteran Reserve Corps, age 41; mustered Jan. 6, 1865; died Feb. 19, 1865; Bounty \$325; one of those hired by Buckland and to that town credited.
- Richmond, William N., age 19; Co. E., 52nd regt.; enlisted Sept. 1862; died of "Ship fever," Dec. 7, 1862 on passage from New York to Ship Island on the Transport *Illinois*.



- Riedel, Jacob, mechanic, born in Prussia; enlisted June 21, 1861, Co. H., 10th regt. Inf.; age 27; killed at Salem Heights, May 3, 1863. (W. O. Taylor says at Chancellorsville, Va.)
- Sullivan, John, Co. B. or H., first regt. Heavy Artillery; age 18; mustered Dec. 8, 1863; died July 12, 1864 at Alexandria, Va.; Bounty \$325. There is a question as to which side of the river he claimed his residence, Buckland or Shelburne.
- Wilder, Joseph G., Co. E., 52nd regt. Inf.; age 21; mustered Oct. 11, 1862; died June 19, 1863 at New Orleans, La.
- Willis, William E., Co. H., 10th regt. Inf.; age 19; mustered, June 21, 1861; died of disease, June 23, 1862 at White House, Va.
- Wing, Charles, Co. H., 37th regt. Inf.; age 22; mustered August 30, 1862; killed May 18, 1864 at Spottsylvania, Ga.
- Woodward, Wesley, harness maker, age 21; mustered Mar. 28, 1862, Co. C., 27th regt. Inf.; taken prisoner May 11, 1864 at Drury's Bluff, La., and died in Andersonville Prison, Ga., August 21, 1864.

The record of Buckland men killed or died in service as recorded in the Centennial Edition of the Greenfield Gazette and Courier, adds the names of:

- Mehan, Joel, died at Whitingham, Vt.
- Hillsinger, Thomas, died at Richmond, Va.
- Dodds, Henry W., died at Annapolis, Va.
- Ware, Samuel D., died in Andersonville Prison, Ga.
- Of these no further details have been found.

The list of those who went from Buckland:

- Allis, Newton R., 2nd. Batt. Light Artillery. Bounty \$325.
- Atkins, Michael J., Co. B., First Artillery.
- Auger, Valentine J., Co. H., 10th Regt. Inf. Born in Prussia.
- Austin, John Edward, Co. H., 10th regt. Inf.
- Bishop, Charles C., Co. K., 60th Inf. Bounty \$179.32.
- Brean, Peter, Co. E., 57th regt. Inf. Bounty \$325.00.
- Brigham, Elijah Jr., Sergt. Co. E., 57th regt. Inf.
- Bringolf, John, born in Switzerland, Co. H. 10th. regt. Inf.
- Brock, Andrew, Co. G. 34th. Inf. Bounty \$325.
- Brooks, Edward, Co. K, 60th regt. Inf. Bounty \$86.
- Brooks, Herbert L., Co. E., 52nd regt. Inf.
- Bullard, William H., Co. E. First Cavalry. Bounty \$325.
- Butler, Melville C., Co. K, 60th regt. Inf. Bounty \$86.
- Caldwell, Charles B., Co. K., 60th regt. Inf. Bounty \$86.
- Carter, George Benjamin, Co. E., 52nd Inf.

Chandler, Amariah, Co. H., 10th regt. Inf.  
Clement, Squire C., Co. E., 52nd Inf.  
Coleman, Josiah Spaulding, Corporal Co. H., 10th Mass. Inf.  
Coyen, John, Co. K., 60th regt. Inf. Bounty \$86.  
Cranson, Milford J., Co. E., 52nd regt. Inf.  
Curtis, Henry W., Co. E., 27th Inf. Bounty \$325.  
Davenport, Edward H., Co. B., 34th Inf. Bounty \$325.  
Davis, Hiram A., Co. E., 52nd regt. Inf.  
Depot, John, Co. C., 27th regt. Inf.  
Dewsnap, Enos, Corp., Co. K., 60th regt. Inf. Bounty \$86.  
Dickinson, Dexter, Co. E., 52nd regt. Inf.  
Dole, Augustus O., Co. H., 37th regt. Inf.  
Draper, Lorenzo, Sergeant, Co. E., 52nd regt. Inf.  
Duncan, Elijah William, Corporal, Co. H., 10th regt. Inf.  
Duncan, William H., Co. K, 60th regt. Inf. Bounty \$86.  
Elliott, George, Co. E., 57th regt. Inf.  
Fall, John, Co. K., 60th regt. Inf. Bounty \$86.  
Ford, Lysander W., Corporal, Co. C., 27th regt. Inf.  
Fromenviller, John, Co. C., 27th regt. Inf. Bounty \$86.  
Goodnow, Addison, Co. K, 60th regt. Inf.  
Green, Henry J., Co. I., 37th regt. Inf.  
Gunn, Charles B., Co. E., 52nd regt. Inf.  
Gunson, Samuel, Co. K., 60th regt. Inf. Bounty \$86.  
Haller, Martin, Co. K., 60th regt. Inf. Bounty \$86.  
Halligan, James, Co. K., 60th regt. Inf. Bounty \$86.  
Halligan, John Austin, Co. E., 52nd regt. Inf. Bounty \$86.  
Halligan, William, Co. E., 52nd regt. Inf.  
Hannefin, Edward, Co. K., 60th regt. Inf. Bounty \$86.  
Hawks, Wesley O., Co. K., 60th regt. Inf. Bounty \$86.  
Hayes, Francis D., Co. K., 60th regt. Inf. Bounty \$86.  
Hermann, John, Co. H., 10th regt. Inf.  
Hobson, John E., Co. K., 60th regt. Inf. Bounty \$86.  
Holbrook, Horace, Co. E., 52nd regt. Inf.  
Howes, Willis N., Co. C., 31st. regt. Inf.  
Hubbard, Charles B., Co. E., 52nd regt. Inf.  
Huquenin, Edward, Co. K., 60th regt. Inf.  
Indruk, Corneille, Co. K., 35th regt. Inf. Bounty \$325.  
James, Charles G., Co. H. 10th regt. Inf.  
Jones, Chauncey, Co. K, 60th regt. Inf. Bounty \$86.  
Joyce, Thomas, Co. E., 52nd regt. Inf.  
Kron, Philip, Co. K., 60th regt. Inf. Bounty \$86.  
Lee, Frank M., Co. E., 10th regt. Inf.  
Lee, John W., Co. C., 31st regt. Inf.  
Little, Samuel A., Sergeant, Co. E., 52nd regt. Inf.  
Mashmer, Alfred, Co. K., 60th regt. Inf. Bounty \$86.  
Maynard, Austin L., Co. E., 52nd regt. Inf.  
Meacham, Joel, Co. K., 27th regt. Inf.  
Meekins, Dwight L., Co. E., 52nd regt. Inf.



Meekins, Joseph R., Co. E., 52nd regt. Inf.  
Mesery, George, Co. K., 60th regt. Inf. Bounty \$86.  
Montague, Thomas A., Co. E., First regt. Cavalry. Bounty \$325.  
Morton, Emory C., Co. H., 10th regt. Inf.  
Morton, Fred O., musician. Co. H., 10th regt. Inf.  
Murphy, Michael, Co. H., 10th regt. Inf. Bounty \$325.  
Nelson, James, Co. H., 10th regt. Inf.  
Nims, John Allen, Sergt. Co. C., 10th regt. Inf.; enlisted at Northampton.  
Perkins, Calvin N., Co. H., 37th regt. Inf.  
Phillips, Joseph L., Corp. Co. F., 43rd regt. Inf.  
Poist, Norman, Co. K., 60th regt. Inf. Bounty \$86.  
Rannenburg, William, Co. C., 31st regt. Inf. Bounty \$156.  
Reniff, James, Co. C., 31st regt. Inf.  
Reniff, Lucius, Co. F., 34th regt. Inf.  
Richmond, Josiah A., Captain, Co. E., 52nd regt. Inf.  
Richmond, Richard P., Co. K., 60th regt. Inf. Bounty \$86.  
Ritchie, Edward, Co. E., 52nd regt. Inf.  
Sanford, William, Co. C., 31st regt. Inf.  
Sauer, Andrew, Co. H., 10th regt. Inf.  
Schrock, George F., Co. A., 34th regt. Inf. Bounty \$50.  
Shaw, Elijah, Co. C., 31st regt. Inf.  
Shea, Michael D., Co. B., First regt. Heavy Artillery. Bounty \$325.  
Sheehan, John, Co. H., 10th regt. Inf.  
Smedley, Alfred, Co. K., 60th regt. Inf. Bounty \$86.  
Smith, Frederick H., Corp. Co. E., 52nd regt. Inf.  
Smith, Joseph F., Co. K., 60th regt. Inf. Bounty \$86.  
Smith (Schmidt) Richard, Co. K., 60th regt. Inf. Bounty \$86.  
Stetson, William L., Co. C., 31st regt. Inf.  
Sweet, Orlando C., Co. E., 52nd regt. Inf.  
Swinden, Samuel, Co. K., 60th regt. Inf. Bounty \$86.  
Taylor, Charles R., Co. K., 60th regt. Inf. Bounty \$86.  
Tiffinboch, Julius, Co. K., 60th regt. Inf. Bounty \$86.  
Tobey, Edwin L., Corp. Co. F., 34th regt. Inf.  
Townesley, Charles S., Co. C., 31st regt. Inf.  
Townesley, Henry D., Co. E., 52nd regt. Inf.  
Wait, Martin, Co. C., 57th regt. Inf. Bounty \$325.  
Ware, Frederick C., Co. K., 60th regt. Inf. Bounty \$86.  
Weigle, Henry, Co. C., 31st regt. Inf. Bounty \$156.  
Whiting, Joseph W., Sergeant, Co. E., 52nd regt. Inf.  
Wild, James S., Co. K., 60th regt. Inf. Bounty \$86.  
Willis, Frank R., Co. K., 60th regt. Inf. Bounty \$86.  
Woodward, Chandler J.  
Woodward, Eliphaz, Co. H., 10th regt. Inf.  
Woodward, Hiram, Co. K., 60th Inf., Bounty \$86.  
Woodward, Marcus M., Co. H., 10th regt. Inf.  
Woodward, Winsor, Co. E., 52nd regt. Inf.  
Young, Walter T., Co. E., 1st regt. Cavalry. Bounty \$325.



The following, so nearly as can be determined, is a list of non-residents credited to Buckland and to whom Buckland paid a bounty:

- Austin, Chauncey L., Shelburne (?), 10th regt., Co. K., Bounty \$325.
- Bard, Peter, Co. H., 10th regt.; also in navy.
- Barry, George, resided Halifax, N. S., Co. D., 19th inf.
- Bass, Clark D., res. not given, if not Buckland probably Colrain; Co. L. 3d Cavalry. Bounty \$179. 32.
- Bears, William H., residence New York; Co. B; 15th Inf.
- Brannan, Michael, resided Boston; Co. K., 58th regt. Inf.; Bounty \$325.
- Birmingham, John W., resided Shelburne; Co. E., 52nd regt. Inf.; also in Co. K., 60th. Inf. and credited to Shelburne in that enlistment.
- Brown, John G., Co. B., 19th Inf. Bounty \$50; no residence.
- Bruce, William, residence N. Y.; Co. G., 25th Inf.; Bounty \$325.
- Bugbee, Samuel C., residence not given; Co. L., 3rd Cavalry; Bounty \$179.32.
- Carle, Thomas, residence Colrain, said to have been born in Buckland, about 1838; Co. B., 10th reg. Inf.; Bounty \$325.
- Chausen, Ferdinand, residence Greenfield; Co. B., 15th. regt. Inf.
- Corney, Israel, 1st regt.; Cavalry, never joined for service; Bounty \$325; residence Reading; occupation, sailor.
- Cushman, James E., Veteran Reserve Corps; Bounty \$325.
- Davis, James R., Co. L., 3rd. Regt. Cavalry; Bounty \$325.
- Davis, Timothy M., Veteran Reserve Corps.; Bounty \$325.
- DeLa, William, Co. E., 19th regt. Inf.; Resided Kingston, Canada West.
- Dougherty, Henry, 2nd regt. Inf. Regular Army; Bounty \$325.
- Eldridge, Lewis, resided Ashfield; Co. E., 52nd regt. Inf.
- Fitzgerald, Thomas, Co. B., 1st Artillery; Bounty \$325.
- Flannigan, John, 2nd regt. Inf. U. S. Army; Bounty \$325.
- Flynn, John, resided Roxbury, Co. G., 23rd regt. Inf.; Bounty \$325.
- Fries, Adam, 1st regt. Art. Regular Army; Bounty \$325.
- Harrington, Dennis, Veteran Reserve Corps; Bounty \$325.
- Henry, Simon, 1st regt. Cavalry; never joined for service; Bounty \$325.
- Hennebury, Marcus M., Co. B. 1st regt. Artillery; Bounty \$325.
- Herbert, Philip, residence Washington, D. C.; Co. C., 55th regt. Inf.; Bounty \$325.
- Herman, John Martin, Co. E. 1st regt. Cavalry; Bounty \$325.
- Hurd, William L., residence Boston; Co. F., 2nd regt. Heavy Art; Bounty \$189.33.

- Hutter, Charles O., 1st Art. Regular Army; Bounty \$325.  
Jackson, John, residence New Bedford; Co. K., 58th regt. Inf.; Bounty \$325.  
Jackson, William, residence Boston; Co. I., 20th regt. Inf.  
Johnson, Jackson, resided Winchenden; Co. K., 33rd regt. Inf.; Bounty \$325.  
Johnson, William, Co. G., 2nd regt. Cavalry; Bounty \$325.  
Johnston, Alexander, residence New Hampshire; Co. G., 2nd regt. Cavalry.  
Kennedy, Peter, residence Ireland; Co. —, 19th regt.; unassigned.  
Leavitt, Jerome, Veteran Reserve Corps; Bounty \$325.  
Maher, James, 4th regt. Art. Regular Army; Bounty \$325.  
Meehan, Patrick, 2nd regt. Inf. Regular Army; Bounty \$325.  
McAllen, Robert, Co. E., 19th regt. Inf.; resided St. Johns, N. B.; sailmaker.  
McBride, Andrew, 4th regt., Art. Regular Army; Bounty \$325.  
Mills, John, 2nd regt. Inf. Regular Army; Bounty \$325.  
Montgomery, John W., resided Boston; 54th and 55th regt.; Bounty \$207.33.  
Moor, Patrick, 1st Cavalry, never joined for service; Bounty \$325.  
Murphy, John, born Ireland; resided Shelburne; Co. H., 10th regt. Inf.; Bounty \$407.32.  
Murtough, John, Co. D., 2nd regt. Inf.; Bounty \$325.  
Nally, Edward P., residence Shelburne Falls; Co. B. 1st regt. Art.; Bounty \$325.  
Nims, Silas, resided Shelburne Falls; Co. H., 10th regt. Inf.  
Palmer, Charles, Co. — 19th regt. unassigned; Bounty \$325.  
Reiley, Edward, 2nd regt. Regular Army. Bounty \$325.  
Rice, Austin M., Co. C., 31st regt. Inf.  
Rider, Hiram, Veteran Reserve Corps. Bounty \$325.  
Robertson, Thomas, residence South Groveland; Co. H. 19th regt. Inf.; Bounty \$325.  
Simpson, Jefferson, Veteran Reserve Corps; Bounty \$325.  
St. Dennis, Alfred, residence Greenfield; Co. E., 57th regt. Inf.  
Stevens, James P., residence Boston; Co. B., 17th regt. Inf.; Bounty \$325.  
Thorn, Henry, resided Montreal, Canada; 20th regt. Inf.; unassigned, temporary residence Buckland.  
Thomas, Charles, residence Boston; Co. B. 19th regt. Inf.; Bounty \$325.  
Tracy, William, residence Poughkeepsie, N. Y.; Co. B., 1st regt. Heavy Art.; Bounty \$325.  
Vetter, Andreas, residence Boston; Co. B. 19th regt. Inf.; Bounty \$325.  
Webb, Otto, 35th regt. Inf.; rejected recruit.  
White, Charles A., residence Philadelphia; 1st regt. Cavalry; Bounty \$325; never joined for service.

Wiegel, Jules H., Co. K., 60th regt. Inf.; Bounty \$86.  
 Wiesel, George, 5th regt. Cavalry, Regular Army.  
 Williams, George, residence England, 19th regt. Inf.; unassigned.  
 Winch, Joseph B., Co. E. 57th regt. Inf.; Bounty \$325; residence Leicester.  
 Young, John, residence Boston; sailor; 19th regt. Inf. unassigned.  
 Young, William, Co. —; 1st regt. Art. Regular Army; Bounty \$325.

In the above list a few names were given as of men living at Shelburne or Shelburne Falls. They may have been living at the Falls on the Buckland side.

The Navy records at the Adjutant-General's office in Boston, credit the following men in that branch of the service to Buckland:

Barry, Edward, D.—8.  
 Clark, Albion, on "Lackawanna" and "Vermont."  
 Cloney, James, on "Fort Donelson," also served in 21st regt. Inf.  
 Cross, Jerome B. (colored) on "Circassian," also 54th regt. Inf.  
 Dodge, G. H., on "Wachusett" and "Octorora."  
 Frederickson, Francis W., on "Colorado."  
 Shumway, John, on "Preble" and "North Carolina."  
 Smith, John, on "North Carolina" and "Rhode Island."  
 Stoddard, Daniel, on "Dale" and "Penguin."  
 Thatcher, Otis, on "North Carolina" and "Nightingale."  
 Thompson, William H., on "Potomac" and "Albatross."

The name of Edward P. Conant, a native of Buckland, has been given as a soldier credited to Buckland, but no verification has as yet been found.

In the list as given in the Centennial edition of the Greenfield Gazette and Courier are these additional names:

Powers, Charles T. in Co. H.,	Allen, Frank
10th regt. Inf.	Sackett, Noble D.
Woodward, Z. C.	Booker, Farwell
Bowker, Isaac	Rice, Walter H.

In the State Archives, under date of June 9, 1863, there has been found a list of the names of nine men in the Second Cavalry assigned to the quota of Buckland and signed by William Rogers, A.A.G. This increases the number of men which has usually been credited to this town. They were none of them from this



section so far as known and were doubtless assigned at some period during that year, to fill the quota:

Haign, August	Hapney, William
Harkins, Neil	Hayes, Charles E.
Holdson, James	Hurley, John
Johnson, William	Johnston, Alex
	Kemigan, Henry

The units with which these men served are not given. There is no index by towns as yet in the State Archives, hence it has been impossible to feel that a perfectly accurate list has been obtained. The report from the Adjutant-General's office is "That Buckland furnished about 219 men for the Civil War." All the lists given here total 229. If errors are found in the record as here given the facts stated above should be borne in mind, and due allowance made.



CHAPTER

15

THE GREAT FIRE

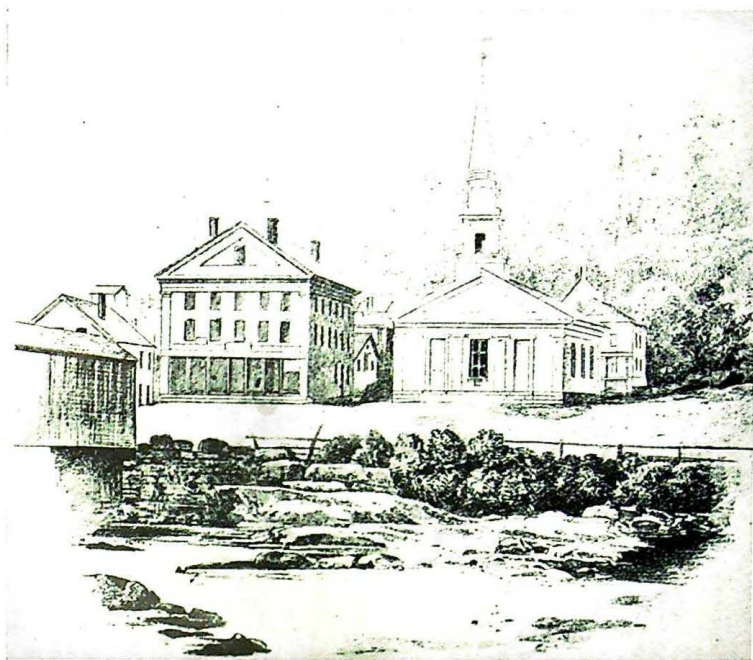
*From fire and brand and hostile hand  
God save our town—Old Watchman's Cry.*

**GREAT FIRE AT SHELBURNE FALLS:  
LOSS UPWARDS OF \$100,000.  
(JULY 22, 1876.)**

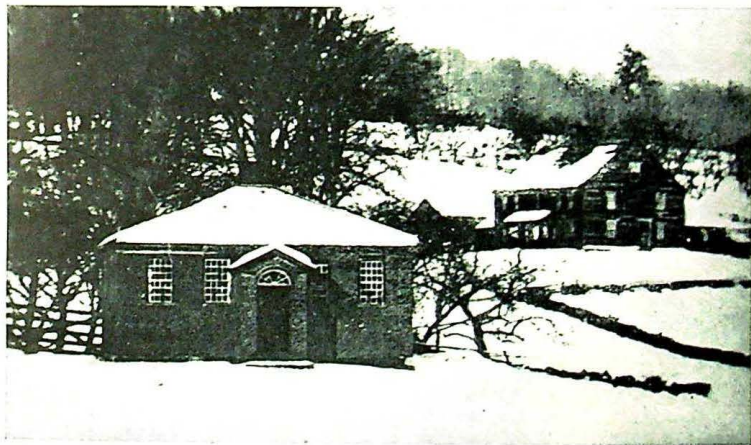
**THE NEWELL BROTHER'S BLOCK, THE WOODWARD  
HOUSE, THE METHODIST CHURCH, AND  
THREE DWELLING HOUSES REDUCED  
TO ASHES**

THE above heading and the following account of this most disastrous fire is given practically as it appeared in the Greenfield Gazette and Courier.

"The most serious calamity that has ever befallen the thriving village of Shelburne Falls, was the conflagration which on Saturday evening swept out of existence property belonging to her citizens worth upwards of \$100,000. It was a little before eight o'clock when flames were seen bursting from the south of Newell Brothers' store, on the Buckland side of the river, and the alarm became general. The fire was caused by the tapping of a barrel of turpentine by a clerk, H. J. Warner, for a customer. The leaking faucet was broken off, and out came a stream of turpentine upon him. It was instantly ignited by the lamp, and Warner, covered with flames, rushed to the store above. Frank Baker, another clerk, at once endeavored to assist Warner, and finally took him to a cistern, where he put the fire out, but not until the man's arms were badly burned. Meantime the sixteen barrels of oil, turpentine, etc., stored in the cellar, rolled up a volume



THE OLD METHODIST CHURCH AND THE ANNAWANSETT BUILDING  
Where town records were kept before the big fire



OLD BRICK SCHOOLHOUSE AT BUCKLAND CENTER  
THE OLD SAMUEL TAYLOR HOUSE  
Present residence of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hunt



of smoke and flame, like a volcano. Coming back to the store, Baker saw the fire bursting through the partition where the powder and ammunition was kept, and thought there was no time to be lost in getting to a place of safety. Herbert Newell went to the rescue of his brother's family, on the floor above, and had barely time to save them. Charles B. Newell, one of the firm, first closed the door to stop the draft, but seeing his purpose was fruitless, and the danger he was in, fled, leaving the safe—in which there were \$1,000, the books, papers, etc.,—wide open. Kennedy, also a clerk, came out after the fire was well under way; but nothing was taken from the store, nor, in fact, from the whole building. The whole structure was almost immediately a mass of flames, roaring and seething their way upward in their mad fury. It was half an hour or more, however, before there was an explosion of the gun-powder. The main portion of the Newell building was forty by sixty feet, three stories high, and built of brick. In the rear was a new storehouse of wood, two and a half stories high, measuring eighty by eighty feet. The Newell Brothers kept a large stock of paint, varnishes and oils, and an expensive stock of hardware, agricultural tools and groceries. They were heavy wholesale and retail dealers in grain, and the storehouse was filled, several car-loads having been stored therein only a day or two before. They were doing an extensive business and carried a valuable stock. On the second floor of the block was the tenement occupied by John L. Newell, very handsomely furnished. In the north part was the office of the town clerk of Buckland, and all the records, books and papers were destroyed. The Odd Fellows' hall was on the third floor, which was fitted up neatly and at considerable expense. North of the storehouse was a tenement house, built by the Newell brothers and occupied by E. E. Coleman and Stillman Ford. This caught and there was very little time to save the contents. Coleman did get a few articles of furniture, but Ford lost all he had. John L. Newell, the leading man of the firm of Newell Bros., was out of the village when the fire broke out.

The fire department was unable to cope with the flames. The two engines lost time in getting to work (one was without an organized company), and did not seem to do much to stay the progress of the fire. Within twenty minutes after the flames broke out of Newell Brothers' store, the Methodist church, some

thirty feet to the north, caught under the cornice, and was soon in a blaze. The basement was occupied by Sears and Tolman, grocers, and Andrew Sauer, who kept a clothing store, while in the rear of Sauer, Lucas March had a small store and repair shop. Nearly everything was taken from this building. Sears and Tolman had some \$2,500 worth of goods, Sauer, \$4,000 or \$5,000 worth, March lost but little.

Across a narrow street, north of the church, stood the large, two-story house built by Major Arms, owned and occupied by Lucius Fife, his mother renting a tenement on the second floor. This house it was impossible to save, and it in turn was swept out of existence; also the barn on the premises. Fife's furniture was mostly saved.

While the fire was thus sweeping to the north, it was also spreading to the south. The old stable of the Woodward House, belonging to P. R. Woodward, caught from the Newell storehouse, and burned. The Woodward House, too, was a moment later discovered to be in flames, having caught under the cornice as did the church. The hotel was a wooden structure, hardly ten feet from Newell Brothers' basement. Much of the liquor was rolled out, but three billiard tables were burned. The floor above was used for the office and dining-room, and the next for other hotel purposes, while above that the Greenleaf Guards had their armory. Some of the light articles of furniture were removed. The military company, fortunately, were having a picnic celebration in Lamson's grove, and had with them their arms and equipment, and so lost but little property. Woodward's new barn, southwest of the hotel, was saved by the firemen.

The large dwelling house belonging to Mrs. T. B. Montague, west of the hotel near the railroad track, with the barn near, became ignited, and was soon reduced to ashes. Mrs. Montague saved but little, losing nearly all her bedding and clothing. Her daughters, Mrs. Comings and Mrs. Tuttle, stopping with her, also lost their wearing apparel.

The fire was seen for miles around, and as it illuminated the hills and mountains and was reflected upon the clouds, was most spectacular. So intense was the heat, that people in the windows on the opposite side of the river could feel it upon their faces. The light of the fire was seen as far to the east as Athol, and attracted people from a long distance.

A dispatch was early sent to Greenfield for aid, and the Eagle hand engine, E. Slocum foreman, was promptly loaded upon a car at the Greenfield depot, and a hundred men or more waited impatiently to go to the scene of the conflagration. But an extra train could not be given the road until after the 9.45 train had passed, and as that was not on time, it was thought to be too late to render aid, so the trip was given up.

A number of the Shelburne Falls firemen belonged to the military company, and were, consequently, out of the village when the fire broke out, which was one reason of the delay in applying water to the fire. The selectmen and Deputy Sheriff Swan employed a number of special police, who, with some of the military company, under Captain Merriam, preserved the best of order and guarded the property through the night.

The Methodist Society were invited to worship in the Universalist church, the latter offering the use of their edifice one-half of the time.

The Newell Brothers' loss was \$50,000, insurance \$25,000; Woodward Hotel valued at \$17,000, insurance \$8,000 on the building; Methodist church insured for \$4,000, \$3,000 of which will be taken by the mortgagee; Odd Fellows' insurance \$1,600 and loss \$500. Mr. Fife was insured for \$1,200 and Mrs. Montague for \$1,000. The other sufferers carried little or no insurance."





CHAPTER

16

BUCKLAND CENTENNIAL, SEPT. 10, 1879

*Here—have we met  
To spend a profitable hour and muse  
Upon the past.*

AS the time of the one hundredth anniversary of the incorporation of Buckland drew near, the question of a suitable observation of that event became uppermost in the minds of many of the citizens. No formal action was taken by the town itself, but interested ones took up the matter and by individual efforts arranged for a fitting celebration. The committee in charge was: Frederick Forbes, J. B. Frost, Josiah A. Richmond, Graham K. Ward and Reuben W. Field. By voluntary subscription, the sum of two hundred twenty-nine dollars and sixty cents was raised and the treasurer's report showed that the total expense incurred was one hundred ninety-eight dollars and seventy cents. This left a balance of thirty dollars and ninety cents which by vote of the committee was given to the town treasurer to be applied on the town debt.

At 9.30 on the morning of September 10, 1879, a column was formed near the bridge in Shelburne Falls and proceeded to Bowen's grove about three-quarters of a mile up the Deerfield River on the Buckland side, moving in the following formation: A squad of mounted police under Deputy Sheriff H. S. Swan; the Shelburne Falls Band, Henry Sweet, leader; Chief Marshall, Frederick Morbes; Aids, Captain F. W. Merriam, E. C. Frost, E. J. Stockwell, A. W. Ward; the Greenleaf Guards, commanded by Lieutenant T. Cronan; citizens.

People came from far distant states as well as from all the surrounding territory. One of the guests of the day was Miss

Julia Ward, Principal of Mount Holyoke Seminary, who sought by her presence to pay a tribute to the memory of Mary Lyon, the founder of the Seminary and Buckland's most distinguished daughter. The longevity of Buckland people has been proverbial and among the elders of the town present were: Moses Nelson, alluded to in the address of the orator of the day as the last surviving pupil of his mother, and who was in his eighty-eighth year; Deacon Silas Trowbridge, ae. 82; Luther Pratt, about 83; Hiram Dodge, living just over the Hawley line, ae. 80; Andrew Butler, 82; Ezra Sherwin, 75; Miss Parney Brooks, 82; Mrs. Fanny Richmond, 81. In all there were present nearly three thousand people. The program opened with the singing of America under the direction of William F. Sherwin, followed by a prayer by Reverend Mr. Jagger of Shelburne Falls. The President of the Day, Captain Josiah A. Richmond, then gave this address of Welcome:

The record of the century for the town of Buckland is finished. The clock of centuries has struck one—its echoing peals yet float along our valleys and linger on our hill-tops. Under the lengthening shadows of the old we sweep into the new. Standing today upon the threshold of the young century, we would fain pierce the misty veil before us, and read the prospectus. But the eye of man cannot penetrate the veil, the hand of man cannot turn the page. But we may look back, and review and live over the past scenes of the old.

We may look back to the time when the wild beast roamed at will over the length and breadth of this town; to the time when the axe of Nahum Ward first awakened the echoes and startled the wild beasts in this unbroken wilderness; to the time when the first child was born; to the time when the first grave was dug; to the time when the church-bell first awakened the echoes of these hills and valleys. For this we have gathered to-day, and assembled on the banks of the historic Deerfield, once the highway of the red man over the Hoosac Mountain to the Mohawk Valley, now the highway of the nation *under* the Hoosac Mountain, from the east to the west. We have gathered here today to live over and bid adieu to the old and hail the new. We are happy and proud to have with us today some of the sons and daughters of Buckland, who went forth from amongst us to fill places assigned them by destiny in other parts of our common country. You have come back to us today, from the busy, hurrying city that your energy and talent have helped to build up. You come from the sunny South and from the

granite hills of the North; you come from the shores of the sounding sea, and from the boundless and majestic prairies of the west—from where-ever there is a demand for the exertions of vigorous and skillful men. In behalf of the present residents of Buckland I bid you welcome back to your native town—back to the scenes of your childhood; back to these beautiful valleys and majestic hills; back to the banks of this beautiful river upon which you have stood in youth, and pondered and wondered if any mightier existed; back to all the hallowed recollections that cluster around childhood and youth, which stamped their impression upon your character and through you upon the world; back to the cot where you were born; back to the graves of your fathers; back to the hearts of your townsmen, who have watched with pride the problem that you have been solving on the blackboard of the world. In the name of your native town I greet and bid you welcome.

But we turn sadly from these happy inspirations and pleasant recollections as we remember townsmen that will come back to us never again; but especially as we remember our sons and brothers who formed a part of that glorious band of patriots and martyrs who gave their lives for the honor of our town and the salvation of our country. We miss them today, although they may not have gained sounding titles or national distinction yet they gave their lives to their country. Greater love than this hath no man. Although marble monuments may not tell how they fought or where they fell, although many of them sleep in unknown graves, they are not forgotten. Could my voice reach their ears today as they file out on the ramparts of the sky to see what we do here, I would say to them, "Behold the fruits of your sacrifice, you died not in vain; although unmarked your graves may be, somewhere in God's quarries yet hidden from view—somewhere in the uncut granite there is a monument for you." To friends, natives of other towns and states who have come here to-day to assist us by their encouraging presence, and we expect eloquent words, to make this day one of the happiest and proudest in the history of our town, whether you come from the north, the south, the east or the west, we extend to you a brother's hand and a brother's welcome.

As we hear from our honored and venerable former townsman, the story of the rise and progress of our town, the story of the trials and privations of our fathers, of their energy and perseverance in hewing for themselves homes from these forest hillsides; as we look back through and beyond the century and see through what trials, privations, disappointments and dangers our fathers have brought our town, let



us realize our obligation and endeavor to raise the standard to a higher plane than it now occupies. Let us at least on this glad Centennial day lay aside and forget all personal and petty animosities, if any exist, and unite to-day as a band of brothers, and endeavor to make this one page of our record, which will go down from generation to generation, clean and bright, without a blot or an erasure."

Music was then rendered by the band after which announcement was made that Reverend W. A. Nichols, of Lake Forest, Ill., who had written an historical poem, which was to have been read at this time, was prevented from fulfilling the engagement by reason of illness. His letter of regret was read by Honorable Henry Winn. A poem written by Mrs. Snow of South Meriden, Conn., (formerly Sophia P. Woodward of Buckland), which was to have come later in the exercises, was now read by Senator Winn.

Professor William A. Sherwin had written an original poem set to music which he had composed in honor of the day, and this he sang in a manner meriting the hearty applause of the audience. The title was "The Days of Long Ago."

The orator of the day, Joseph Griswold, Esq., of Griswoldville, was now introduced as one of Buckland's boys who had discovered and utilized the power of one of the tributaries of the Deerfield, which was now turning 17,000 spindles. Mr. Griswold is seventy-five years old, but still possesses a clear head and all the fire and enthusiasm of his youth. For an hour and a half he held his audience in the closest attention, notwithstanding the fact that clouds gathered overhead and the rain-drops fell thickly upon the unsheltered people. He avoided the dry statistics usually compiled by orators for such occasions, and painted with the skill of a master, pictures of the olden time, and portraits of the fathers and mothers who had peopled the hills of Buckland. He uncorked a fund of traditions, stories and anecdotes which was apparently inexhaustible, and thus kept his hearers in merry humor from beginning to close.

#### THE HISTORICAL ADDRESS

Mr. President and Ladies and Gentlemen:—

Buckland was incorporated as a town April 14, 1779. We have assembled today to commemorate the centennial of that event.

It is not exactly within my province to go further back than this date, and I will simply state the little that is known of its earlier history. There seems to have been a gore of land lying between Ashfield and Charlemont, which before this incorporation and christening went by the name of "No-town." Grants had been made to the Wards in the west part, to the Wilders, Taylors and Carters in the center, and in the eastern section to the Johnsons and Spragues; but no exact dates can be discovered except that of a deed dated in 1771, to Captain Gardner Wilder of land bordered by Charlemont on the north, and Ashfield on the south and indefinitely east and west. It is claimed by some that it began to be settled as early as 1740-50, but as the birth of the first child is given in 1770, we cannot reconcile these statements. Our fathers did not wait twenty or thirty years before beginning on their large families; if it were in this generation we could more easily credit it.

Clesson's River, running through the center, and taking its rise in Hawley and Ashfield, was named by a mill owner near its source, and the town is presumed to have been called Buckland from the fact that Squire Samuel Taylor, the early pioneer, had a deer-park between the mill-yard and the Deerfield River. I have myself seen some of the old hurdle fence, and can recollect hearing Mr. Taylor talk of this park. When the town was incorporated, the north line was pushed back to the Deerfield River, and the south to the Four-corners, the west to Hawley, "No. 7," and east to Conway, making a town of about 16,000 acres.

It is proper for me to commence by saying that Buckland was born in the midst of the Revolutionary struggle and many were off to the battlefield. It was a time of hardship and trouble; yet the hardy race of people who had already settled here founded families, who have grown up to honor the place of their birth and have filled positions of usefulness in all parts of this wide and rapidly growing country. When the war closed, poverty and taxes made men discontented, and hence arose the Shays insurrection, which seemed at one time as though it would overthrow the state government. It is said that while the insurgents in this rebellion were stationed near Springfield, and in the midst of a revel, the order was given to disperse. This order being met with derision, a blank volley was fired, followed by another with balls over their heads. This producing no effect the balls were fired into the crowd, and a number fell. One of the Buckland boys, Don Sprague, said to his father, "Dad, do they fire balls here?" "To be sure," he replied, "What the devil do you suppose they fire, hasty-pudding?" Then Don started, and did not slack his speed till he found himself in Hog Hollow.

Time assuages everything; and a few years after the war, Buckland was an industrious and thriving town. It was interest-



ing to hear these old Revolutionary soldiers relate their experiences. I knew most of them, and can well recollect their countenances and voices. They were a fine set of jolly old fellows, long since gone to their final rest; and when we of this generation pass away, their pleasant faces and jocund voices will live only in history; but the nation they fought and laid down their lives for, let us hope, may live long and maintain the spirit of '76! Of those engaged in the war of 1812, a few now remain with us. In 1814, Buckland was called upon suddenly to send a draft of soldiers to Boston. On a Sunday morning (Daniel Webster said there were no Sundays in Revolutionary times), the candidates marched up to draw either blanks or prizes. Moses Nelson slowly came up, put in his hand and drew—a prize. Then all went to the meeting house to hear Mr. Spaulding, and I remember well how Moses' mother wept and cried because her boy had been drafted for the war. Captain Mayhew used to tell of the jolly times they had in Boston, and how Moses became frightened at some of the city society they saw, and started to run for the barracks, falling headlong down the stairs. I am inclined to ask Mr. Nelson, as he used to crack so many jokes on me, whether the pension he now gets, is for the hurt of that fall, for the cries of his weeping mother, or the fifteen days he spent idling in Boston?

Buckland had no soldiers that I know of, stowed away in the Calcutta death hole or the Dartmoor prison, but Coleraine had several. In the later war, when brother fought brother and the country was filled with lamentation and blood, this town sent her full share, and many a household mourns today the lost ones who never returned. I am not going to harrow your feelings by expressing any opinion in regard to the late struggle; the time has not come for that. It will take a century from the close of the war to settle this question correctly in the light of history. I will only say that slavery is forever abolished on our soil, and we are a nation, and may God grant that we never drift into an empire. War is a terrible calamity, and leaves in its train moral degradation and enormous taxes, but we hope we are slowly coming back to prosperity. The soldier has had enough of war, and is glad to return to the peaceable pursuits of life; once a year he rests from his labor; and how beautiful and appropriate it is for him to go and decorate the graves of his companions in arms, and in the revolving years his grave will also be decorated.

And in our own homes we all mourn the absence of our lost ones. We open the drawer and look at the mementoes of those long passed away—of the girl just blooming into womanhood, the hope and joy of the mother; the mementoes are there; so is the aching void in the mother's bosom. Here are the mementoes of the boy ripening into manhood, the joy and pride of



his father; the mementoes, the pictures, are there; so is the void in the father's heart. We go into the yards and look at our beautiful flowers that loving hands have trained, and loving eyes have looked upon with pleasure; the flowers are there in all their beauty; but the smiling face, the hand that trained and plucked these flowers is not. Let us gather them freely, and with the wild flowers of the valley, let us go as the sun is setting and strew profusely the new made grave.

At the time of this incorporation there was no such thing known in the wide world as steam power; no such thing known as spinning and weaving by machinery; no steamboats, no railroads—not even a pleasure carriage here; and as for family likenesses in which we so delight at the present time, their photographs were little black profiles, cut by Ezra Wood, to hang around the chimney place. I remember, as but yesterday, when the improvement was made in the wheel head of our mother's time, by having three whirs instead of one, so the girls could do three times as much work. How mothers rejoiced and sisters danced; but before the bearings were worn smooth, machinery was invented to spin by water power, and the wheel heads were laid away in garrets, where you may find some of them today.

About sixty-seven years ago the shakers brought the first corn brooms to Buckland. Before that, the brooms were peeled by the Bracketts, the Perkins, blind Sam Carter, old Mr. Negress, Butler, Temple, and many others, who used to carry them to the store on horseback, tied behind them, and sell for six to ten cents apiece.

Buckland had in those early days, a very superior class of mechanics, especially workers in wood. Col. John Ames was the first, and was a prominent man when the town was incorporated. He built the first meeting house in 1794, and framed it by try-rule. His apprentices were Col. Howland of Conway, Col. Snow of Heath, Charles Pelton, Capt. Chandler Carter, his son John, and my father, who closed his apprenticeship with him in 1798. My father's apprentices were Elisha Smith, Simeon Wood, Lyman Wood, Josiah Ward, Asa Davis, Asa Ruddock (who left out of health at twenty years of age and studied medicine), Edmond Cheney, A. Hathaway and three of his own sons; and then Mr. Smith had his own son, Mr. Frost, Mr. Pelton and others. The intelligent and capable joiner, now at Shelburne Falls, came down from this same tuition and I may say that to be a thoroughly good carpenter requires a sense of the fitness and proportion of things as well as a skill in handiwork, and you have but to go to Griswoldville and see the street they have lately built up for us to prove that these workmen have both.

Then we had the old blacksmith, "Sir" Brooks, at the center, whose brother Jabez took his place and left his own by the

Bachelor bridge. Afterward White and Philip Jones had this shop, and it was here Josiah Pratt made the first cast-steel axes he became so noted for. John Carter had a shop in the north part of the town and Amos Wood in the south part. There was also the old saw and grist-mill of Mr. White at the mill-yard and another just below the present one near the Bachelor bridge, and then came the John Ward mills which had been previously owned by Uncle Jacob Whiting's father. I think some of us can remember going to this mill with three full bags and two empty ones, and when the grist was ground and packed on the horse, and Uncle John took the boy by the collar and posterior, it was a pretty close shave whether the boy landed on the bags or on the ground.

At the Four-corners have been numerous shops and mills. It was here that Ezra Wood made so many shaving boxes and manufactured combs; Butler and Smith, augers, butts and gimlets; and myself, sash, doors and blinds. In the bend of the river above was the long-noted carding and dressing mill of Mr. Pomeroy, and every few rods up the stream was a mill site for turning, sawing, grinding, etc., till you came to the Upper City, and there, in the earliest of my recollections, were substantial mills for grinding, and sawing, and, in point of fact, the west part of the town, sixty years ago, carried on the most business.

The account of the suffering and poverty that these early families endured would fill a volume for each; but I will speak particularly of but one, and this one the direct ancestor of so many of us present. Grandfather White was off for the war and grandmother was dying. She lifted up her eyes and exclaimed, "What will become of these four little motherless girls! I leave you in the hands of your Heavenly Father," and so died. Oh, the struggles and sorrows of poverty! They sewed and knit and carried to grandfather Nichols who had land and sons but no daughters, and in return brought away a peck or half bushel of grain, which they carried on their backs to the mill. They studied by the light of pine knots—for never was there a White but would have learning, and one of them very early in life began to keep school, and I have heard her tell her experience in boarding around; how at the table the pie and the cake would be passed uncut, and the head of the family did not wish for any, of daughters the same, and what could the bashful girl teacher say? So she went to bed hungry and she lay cold. I am glad to be able to say that this was not in the first families of Buckland. These girls also did housework over the river, and to their latest days always spoke well of the Hawksees of Charlemont. The last school my mother kept was in 1799, near Buckland Common, where the old graveyard now is and which building was afterward burned. Mr. Nelson is, so far as I know, the only



living pupil of that school. She kept twenty-four weeks for fifty cents a week, and with her wages she bought for a wedding dress six yards of silk at two dollars a yard, and I have a sample of the silk which is eighty years old. Who could foresee the destiny of those four little girls whom the dying mother gave back to their Maker? One of these motherless infants became the wife of Sir Brooks, one of Major Griswold, one of Lieutenant Hastings and one of Captain Booth. In the aggregate they gave to the world fifty-two children, and though the graveyard claimed its share, there is scarcely an old family in Buckland that is not connected either by blood or marriage ties,—the Wards, the Forbes, the Butlers, the Woods, the Pomeroyes, the Brackets, the Frosts, the Pratts, the Peltons, the Smiths, the Davises, the Tobeyes, the Perkins, the Richmonds, the Sherwins, the Taylors, the Carters, the Grahams, the Putnams, the Townsleys and Wilders, the Ballards and Maynards, and hosts of others I do not now recall; and as the expanding wave rolls out the new comers are absorbed,—the Trows, the Caswells and Warfields, the Johnsons and the Spragues and the Wares. Samuel Taylor and his brother Lemuel, and Mr. Nichols married into the same blood, so it takes in the Longleys, the Mantors and Grouts of Hawley, and the Cooks of Ashfield. So over the river it connects with the Averys, the Ballards, the Leavitts, the Hawkesses, and also Dr. Bates, by intermarriage with the Hunts of Heath. These descendants and connections are today scattered from the extreme Pacific coast to the Gulf of Mexico, and along the Atlantic to the British possessions and westward to the setting sun and the line of civilization—so numerous that you cannot count them—yea, almost as the sands of the sea shore. At the close of this century it may be presumed that their blood will be flowing in the veins of a million human beings. Well may I repeat, who can forecast what will be the future of the little motherless girls when the dying mother gives them back to her God.

It may be that I should speak at some length of the politics and geography of this town, but I do not choose to do so. For these statistics I refer you to the *History of the Connecticut Valley*, just published. The valuable records of Buckland were burned in your late fire, and though we know they had town meetings and political strifes and animosities, these old strifes are over and their conflicts ended, and it matters little today to them or to us, who was the selectman or field-driver in the different years. In the spring of 1780, it was said that the snow was so deep that old Squire Taylor, Capt. Gardner Wilder and Elias Carter alone turned out and adjourned the April meeting, and they reached there on snow shoes. The Taylors and Carters were prominent in town matters, and the Sherwins, Bemans and Pratts in the church. Here were these hills and streams in



our fathers' time and here they are today; they speak for themselves and need no compliments from me. But it is our ancestors, the early settlers, whose names and faces we would call up today. They are not here to speak for themselves, so let us talk a little while about our old grandparents, how they looked and what they said and did—the good old fathers and mothers who built up this town and raised those large families. In those early times there were few books and fewer newspapers in our old homes. In our infancy we gathered around grandmother or aunt to hear the nursery tales. "What will we have for a story tonight?" "Oh, Kid and his master going over London bridge." Link by link she would add, and adding revolve back to the beginning, and for the hundredth time close by saying, "time Kid and I were home an hour and a half ago," and we went to bed with pleasing dreams. The stalwart boys would go to hear old Grandfather Ward tell stories—I mean the great-grandfather of any Wards now living—but the girls were too timid to listen, and even brave boys would stop their ears and hurry home in the dark to get inside before the boogars caught them. I say we would go down to John Ward's, the miller that ground the rye meal that made the nice bread that our mothers kneaded and baked on the old oven bottom. Oh, that old rye bread that we grew upon! what would you give here today, old whitehaired men and women, if you could have the old wooden bowl or pewter porringer, the old iron spoon filled with the same old rye bread and good new milk, and the same old appetite! Well, we would go down to hear grandfather Ward tell his marvelous stories, but would first stop in the kitchen to eat some of the nice apples Aunt Lois always had for us, and then file into Grandfather Ward's room. He was a nice old gentleman, well dried up and preserved; his limbs about the size of candle moulds, his tight pants stopped at his knees, where they were met by his long stockings and silver knee buckles. He also had buckles for his slippers. His vest was cut round, his hair powdered, and a nice old gentleman was he. Mrs. Ward was also a well preserved old lady. She sat in the corner in a low rocking chair, bottomed by the blind Mr. Carter. Her dress was the tow and flax, woven in the plaid and stripe as our mothers wove them; apron and handkerchief the same, and cap of white check linen. She would rock and she would knit, and she would knit and she would rock, and occasionally lay down her knitting and take up the little box, put in her thumb and finger and take a pinch. We would sit around the fire-place and Grandfather Ward would begin about a family in a new country with two little children and a little new baby in the cradle asleep; how a great slimy snake crawled into the house, put his head over the cradle and sucked the breath and the life away from that little baby; and when the mother came and found her little darling dead, oh,

there was weeping and mourning in that house! And then we would hear of another family on the borders of a wood, with two little boys and sister, off picking berries, and just as they had got their baskets full and were joyously starting for home, a great she-wolf came out of the woods and seized the little girl and carried her off to its den; and the little boys ran home and all they could tell their parents was that the wolf took little sister in her mouth and ran away with her, and she screaming "Ma! Ma! Ma!" at the top of her voice, and she was never seen or heard of more. Then Grandpa would rest a little, take out his snuff box, tap it and take a pinch; then tell us of some boys in a new country who were out at play, and played until they were tired, and then began to quarrel, fight and swear; and some bears came out of the wood and each took a boy and carried him off to their cubs, and those boys were never heard of forever. At that the little fellow sitting next to me, hunched my elbow and whispered, "same old she bears in the Sunday school lesson."

And then he would tell of emigrants in their log cabins surrounded by Indians; how they would fire and kill, and the more they killed the more would come until ammunition would give out, and then the Indians would smash in the doors and scalp the whole family. The evening was waning and Uncle John would come in from the mill. Louis had his mug of cider ready, and after drinking he would look into grandfather's room and say, "Oh, he's telling those same old stories for the hundredth time, and the children believe every word he says. He has told them so often that I've no doubt he believes them himself."

In those times we had a variety of holidays—the squirrel hunt, turkey shoot, ball playing, husking and apple bees, dancing parties, training and muster, and we also attended the conference and prayer meeting. Some of the deacons like the Pharisees, invariably made long prayers, and it was safe for us to steal out for at least an hour, while one would remain on picket-guard to warn us when to return. After the Jews and heathen were let off, he would pray that "all might redound to the glory of God." That was the signal to gather in, for the deacon was about to wind up. Our dodge game finally leaked out, and one of the fathers inquired what his boy went out for during prayers. He said his legs got asleep sitting so long. "Go and cut me a good stout switch," said his father, "I'll wake 'em up so they won't go to sleep, I guess." And he did.

In those days when a person had a good story to relate, he would wait for a rainy day, and then rendezvous at Uncle Ned Forbes. I frequently went, not so much for the story perhaps, as to chat with Billy and Sally. They would take me into Aunt Eunice's buttery, cut off a slice of rye and Indian bread, spread with her good butter and delicious honey, and was not that nice eating? I thought so. Then we would sit on the dye-tub—



Billy and Sally on each side—and the men would range around the room eager to begin. After sending Billy down for a gallon of cider, which was soon quaffed, Mr. Carter at once told the following Vermont story: A hunter in the Green Mountains took his dogs and gun and strolled off at a season when to kill deer was forbidden by the law under a heavy fine. He followed his dogs who had started a deer till he found himself in a Dutchman's yard. Calling back his dogs he peeped into the barn and found the owner dressing flax. The Dutchman had just spied the deer, and he raised his swingling knife and pointing with it exclaimed, "Mine Gott, how I could shoot that deer if only I had my gun?" The hunter, overhearing this speech, fired himself, and the deer fell, when he rushed in and told the Dutchman he had caught him killing deer contrary to law. Dutchy scratched his head. Said he, "Tell you what I do; you take the deer and say nothing." So the man took it over his shoulder, whistled to his dogs, slyly picked up his gun and started for home. He had not gone far when he was shouted at to stop, and coming up to him the Dutchman laid his hand on his shoulder and said: "Mr. Hunter, who would have thought the damn old swingling knife would have gone off so!"

As we grew up, we had our out-door gatherings, or as you would now say, our picnics. "We called them then, frolics," and we would take our girls and gather around the old grape vine rock, and have a jolly time. There would be Pratts, Perkins, Brackets, Wards, Forbes, Pomeroy's, Putnams, Whitings, Lazells, Grahams, Taylors, Carters, Brooks, Allens, and others, all bringing fruit from their orchards, and we would sit down and eat apples and snap the seeds at the girls, and the girls would snap the seeds at the boys and toss the cores over their shoulders to the next couple. Then came the pears, which were in every orchard in those days, and we would eat awhile on them, and the girls would snap the seeds to the boys, and the boys back again to the girls, and toss the cores over their shoulders to the next couple. Then we would have the red-cheeked old rare-ripes and white malcantoons, which luscious fruit grew beside the rocks and stones as plenty as are the bushes to-day. Of these we eat and eat until we were full. The boys tossed the stones to the girls and the girls tossed the stones back to the boys; and then we had the blue plums. Oh, those beautiful old blue plums! We eat and eat, till our teeth were set on edge. The girls tossed the stones over to the boys and the boys tossed the stones to the girls behind them. Then came the butternuts, cart-loads of them on the ground. Each boy would get a big stone and two small ones to crack with, and then with his girl on one side and himself on the other, they would crack and eat and crack jokes, and when the young beau could get a meat whole, they would blush and divide. So we cracked and eat and threw the shucks



over our shoulders to the next pair; and with walnuts we would do the same, always looking out to give as much as was sent. When we were thirsty, there was the old, cold spring down in the dell below the rock. How many times have I been down on all fours to drink at that cold, sparkling spring, but when we were going in genteel couples, Aunt Eunice had Sally wash up the small gourd and give Billy to carry to frolic, and Aunt Ruth would tell Emmons to take the piggin, not the large one in the shed but the little one by the spring, so we had the piggin and the gourd. By pairs we went down to the cold spring, and the boys dipped the gourd and handed it to the girl, and dipped the piggin and they drank; then the girl handed the boy the gourd and the boy handed the girl the piggin; so they both drank out of the piggin and the gourd, and handed it to the next pair waiting. O, who ever drank anything that tasted so good as that water at the old spring out of the gourd and the piggin—unless it may be to put your forehead under the iron ball of the old oaken bucket with the chin poised on the edge of the well-curb, and this is about the same thing! And then we would scatter off in groups and pairs among the wild grape-vines, and when the day was spent and we all met together again, to go home, lo! on the cheeks of the girls were many purple stains, and no wonder; for the boys had eaten so heartily of the grapes. It was no trouble to make ready for home, nothing to do but pick up the gourd and the piggin, neither had we been to any expense for railroad fare, nor did father meet us with a scowl that the wagon was broken, the whip lost, and he was afraid old Dobbin was foundered. No! it had cost us nothing to go on foot, and our caterer at the picnic had been the cook of Nature, and we eat freely of her abundance and were satisfied, and had no occasion to find fault. Those were pleasant excursions, full of youthful merriment and fun, and who will say they did not yield more solid enjoyment than the higher priced ones of today?

There was a great deal of courting here in those days, but I cannot speak much from experience, as I was not out of my teens when I left the town. I will acknowledge that two pretty young lassies showed the proverbial shrewdness of Buckland girls by giving me the mitten—flat. Did I feel bad? Oh, yes, *some* bad; but in our teens we are apt to get over these feelings about as soon as home-sickness, when we come in sight of the old home.

One afternoon when my mother had for company Mrs. Pomeroy, Mrs. Pratt, Aunt Sophia and Widow Trowbridge—all godly women of godly families—I sat in the doorway whistling and whittling, and hearing them talk of the church and town matters, and of their own families and children; also of their daughters, and Mrs. Trowbridge spoke of her godly son. That evening as father and mother were talking over the visit, it was suggested that the godly son and one of Mrs. Pomeroy's daughters would

make a good match. Soon after at some public meeting at Ashfield, behold, the godly son and his sister and Miss Pomeroy drive up! I stop here; if you wish to know further ask my old friend there, Mr. Silas Trowbridge.

But I must tell you of one of those old weddings from the homestead of Deacon Tobey, who lived across the river in Granny McNutt's hollow. The bridegroom was Tommy Carter, son of old Grandfather Elias Carter, and a spruce little fellow he was, somewhat haughty, and proud of his horsemanship, though he always rode with his legs stretched straight out. His horse was well groomed, and his saddle, bridle and spurs all toady; and with his mother's pillion covered with red velvet for his girl to sit behind him, he cut a very gay appearance. The day of the wedding had come. Mr. Spaulding had tied the knot; the bowl and the cake had been passed around, and the groomed horses had been mounted. A saddle and pillion with the young man and his mate was what equipped each horse, and ten of these gay couples made up the cavalcade. They swept down by Mr. Putnam's and Mr. May's, and across the John Ward mill bridge, and Uncle John shut down the gate, looked at Tommy, hitched up his breeches but said nothing, for Tommy's father brought good grists to his mill. They went on till they passed Dr. Holbrook's, where Abijah Thayer now lives and were nearing the Brook's blacksmith shop, when there met their ears an unearthly yell which resounded from hill to hill-top. At the shop was Tommy's cousin John Carter, who had not been invited to the wedding; so he had got a lever about thirty feet long, and stationed himself and Kilborn ready to pry, and was screaming at the top of his voice for them to "stop!" *Soon they would pry the shop out of the way so they could pass!*

Deacon Tobey had another fair daughter, who married Mr. Ephraim Williams, and I can almost hear his shrill voice and loud laugh mingled with that of Calvin Nelson, as they were laying wall. Mr. Williams always said he would raise a girl for *me* but the girl never came to time. I believe, however, he filled the bill for my friend, Abijah Thayer.

In every history of Buckland, writers have uniformly spoken well of her schools, and from the earliest times her citizens seem to have paid earnest attention to the education of their children, fitting them for the duties and struggles of life. Their summer schools in my early days, were taught by the Misses White, of Heath, and the winter terms by Mr. Erastus Taylor, Mr. Shepard, Mr. Tobey and Mr. Porter. Later than this, you know as well as I, and still later, you had teachers of your own sons and daughters, whom you know better than I do. I should also mention a class of about twenty young men who were taught arithmetic by Uncle Ned Forbes at his own house. The earliest select school in my memory was taught by Mr. Daniel Forbes,



or Forbush, who was called by the boys, "little holy Daniel." He was a teacher by nature, mild and pleasant; I never saw a scholar out of place, nor saw him use the ferule or switch; while in Mr. Tobey's school I have the most lively recollection of both. Mr. Forbes kept school in both of my father's shops, and in his upper hall, also at Mr. Benjamin Carter's, and I think in the large shed room of Jabez Brooks. He also taught in the west, south and east part of the town, but perhaps those were exclusively writing schools. He wrote a beautiful, round hand, and in it made out many of the family records of those days—oftentimes adding beneath a suitable verse. I have seen Miss Mary Lyon sit behind one of the work benches in my father's shop, and write and study under his direction. She also wrote that fine, old fashioned round hand, acquired through his copy. O, I revere the memory of Mr. Forbes and Mr. Porter! They did more to lift the young men from ignorance to information than any others I ever knew.

Who remembers the old spelling schools in Buckland, when we collected from the north and the south, from the east and the west, and were called up and spelled down, and jolly good times we had, both with the spelling and going home with the girls. Is it not so? And then our debating schools, which the *fathers* attended, for a little fun; how well I remember them all, and, particularly the first in which I myself took a part, although I was not yet in my teens. Late in the evening I was called upon, when I returned that I thought that the question had already been fully disgusted. This raised a titter, and Mr. Porter sprang to his feet, and said the boy was not far out of the way, for the question *had* been very poorly handled. Mr. Porter would always come to the assistance of the boys in a *School*, but as a church tithingman, we had a terrible dread of him. I have seen him take a boy by the ears, and with his legs dangling carry him half way across the meeting house, and sit him down behind him, *Hard*, in the singer-seats. Uncle Levi Taylor, the shoemaker, was also a tithingman, and he never looked so pleasant to me on Sunday as he did when I was sitting long evenings in his shop in my stocking feet, having my boots mended. He tooted out of the same tooter that Mr. Porter did to pitch the tune, and wore the same linsey vest the first time I ever saw him and the last. The last debating school I attended was at the Four Corners, and I well remember the leading disputants—Calvin Pomeroy and Andrew Butler, on the question, which was the least risk, to lend money on interest, or invest it in farming or trade? Mr. Pomeroy had never had much experience in lending money and, said he, "did you ever in your life time lose a cent of interest?" "Yes," replied Andrew, "I have lost a good deal, and I am now losing more than a thousand dollars every year for the want of the principal to draw it." According



to Mr. Butler's logic, are we not all sustaining heavy losses today?

Who does not remember the old speaking school kept by Mr. Porter, usually at the Mill Yard? Over from Charlemont came the Averys, the Ballards, the Maxwells and others to join us. These schools did much to develop the young men and help to overcome their bashfulness, and Mr. Porter is mainly entitled to the credit of it. I would not be afraid to ask my old friend, Silas Trowbridge, today, if those schools did not do a great deal to bring diffident boys, like him and myself, out of this diffidence into public speakers.

We had at one time what was called the mad dog scare. A boy went to Jabez Brook's shop to have his horse shod, and seeing a dog lying on the floor, roused him with a stick, whereupon he ran out of the barn. Afterwards Mrs. Brooks discovered the dog with glaring eyes and frothing mouth lying in front of the cow. By means of a pitchfork she kept him at bay as he snapped at her, while she ran to the shop to notify Mr. Brooks. Kilborn jumped on the horse, half shod, and took down the old long gun, that was always loaded and hanging upon the brackets, with powder horn and pouch full; the dog ran toward the Mill Yard snapping at every thing he passed, and Kilburn followed, punching his heels into the horse and yelling at the top of his voice, "*Look out for the mad dog.*" Passing the Mill Yard, Charles White was bringing out a grist for a boy on horseback. He dropped the grist, and catching the gun from the wall, mounted the horse, and it being fresh, he was soon neck and nought with Kilborn. They ran, and the dog ran, but the men pushed so closely that at the Thayer road the dog turned up; the riders just twitched the reins and dropped back, brought up the old guns, fired, and the dog fell dead. The cow was put in the pound behind the sheds and was soon running mad, as was evident from her red eyes and shaking head, tongue hanging out of her mouth, and her keeping up an unearthly bellowing. Mr. Brooks, Samuel Taylor and Mr. Bachelor came with a rope that they used in drawing oxen to be shod, got on top of the pound, made a noose in the middle of the rope, dropped it over her horns, and opened the gate. Mr. Taylor was at one end and Mr. Bachelor at the other to keep her at bay. Mr. Brooks followed with gun, and Kilborn with ax and shovel, and the boys came on behind. Down the hill and about half way to the Bachelor bridge, the grave was waiting. Mr. Brooks fired and she dropped dead in the grave. The rope was thrown in, the grave was filled up, and that was the end of the mad dog scare. Years after, a freshet washed out the skeleton of that cow, but in my day I never knew a boy with courage enough to touch one of those bones.

Many of you remember the bitter and exciting lawsuit with Conway about the Reniff family—three years in court and then

left to reference and lost. I remember as yesterday, when Mr. Chapin, the agent, came back—we were building the Graham house and all stopped to hear the story. There was loud talk and some swearing about how Buckland had been tricked and wronged; but the first thing was to raise the money (\$350) and settle before additional cost of judgment. Right then and there a note was made out to the Northampton bank. Esquire Chapin and Major Griswold signed it with Sir Brooks for surety. Mr. Brooks required the selectmen to give him a note to secure him against loss. Here are the two notes and they appear to be paid. But calamities never come single handed. Mrs. Reniff increased the population and also the paupers two in one night. Then there was another storm, and how Dr. Allen ipped and scolded that "she ought to know better; it was outrageous for paupers—two at a time!" This raised her dander, and she retorted, "Don't you see I have the worst of it, and don't you know twins can't be had for the asking, or stopped for the wishing?" Well, in those days when the paupers were getting too plenty, the citizens clubbed together, got two yoke of oxen, Mr. Trowbridge's great ox wagon covered with tow cloth, packed in Jim McNutt and his family, and started them west to grow up with the country. Brigham Carter took the whip, and was ordered not to give it up till they were beyond North River. Jim was the only man I ever knew that could put a quart of cider into his stomach without swallowing. Long years after, in passing through Buckland, who should I meet but Jim McNutt! Said he had prospered, "Raised fourteen hundred bushels of wheat last year, built a good barn this season, and daughter Roba was well married, with children as plenty as her mother's." Would it not be well to send more Jim McNutts to grow up with the country?

Who does not remember Uncle Zenas Graham with his pleasant face, who was always ready to buy the sheep skin when you had the wool pulled off, and give you 12½ cents for every deacon-skin. Mr. Graham tanned good leather, and so did Mr. Townsley after him, and Mr. Caswell after him. I know, for I bought it for belting. But don't you remember those nice, soft deacon-skins that Uncle Zenas and Uncle Nuel used to dress? These were made into slippers for the girls to dance in, and were always bought for the wedding shoes. Uncle Nuel once had an extra nice one finished, and called me in to ask if I "didn't think that deacon-skin would make shoes good enough for one of Aunt Sophy's girls." "Yes," I told him, "or for any other girl." I do not know positively but am of the opinion that Aunt Mit stepped up to be married in that same deacon-skin. Now I want to digress here to say that I know of no possible connection or comparison between the first officer in the church and a young calf's hide. If your committee can explain why I was selected to deliver this address over the shoulders of a hundred more competent, they



may be able to solve this riddle; but I confess they are both inexplicable to me, and I am particular to say so, for I do not want your children's children at your next Centennial, to come and rap on my mossy gravestone to inquire if it is a *fact*, that in my time the deacons were killed and skinned, and their hides tanned to make slippers and wedding shoes.

I now come to Miss Mary Lyon, who surpassed all the female teachers we ever had in Buckland. She rose from a lowly origin, spent her younger years in family industries, spinning and weaving like other girls of those times. I have often seen her, horseback, carrying her cloth to Mr. Pomeroy's to be dressed, and her reeds to Fobes to be repaired. She was a rosy, robust-looking girl, and spent most of the time in her youth at the old homestead, which you must well remember. Much of her early schooling she received at the corner near Mr. Clark's—sometimes coming from home two miles, and sometimes boarding at Uncle Spencer Woodward's, and doing chores for her board. Mr. Porter mostly kept these schools, and procured for Mary her first situations to teach. She first kept in what was called Thayer district, in 1814, and at the close of the term there was some disappointment at the lack of progress, and Mr. Porter hired her again in 1815 to keep the same school, and her friends were happily disappointed to see the progress made both by herself and her scholars. In 1816 she kept the Center school. My father was then making the brick for his house, and she would often come up to the yard and say to me that she wanted to learn to make brick, and would help me to turn them up and put them on the wheel barrow, and afterwards on the hakes. Who can tell what was in her mind, and if she had not, even then, a glimmering of the great future for which Providence was fitting her. She taught a school I think, at Baptist Corner from 1817 to 19, and in Alpheus Brooks' house when she went to Byfield. I next met her at Ashfield Academy in 1821, where she was both teaching and studying. In 1824 she opened the first of her select schools in Buckland. Two of them were kept in my father's hall, and two in Mr. Graham's; and I challenge you today to point me out any schools in Western Franklin that equal them in intelligence and progress. After she had kept two seasons in my father's hall, the Ashfield people beset her to come back there, which she agreed to do if she could have a suitable place in which to teach. J. Lilly, Mr. Pratt and myself were employed to turn the old academy building back and put a hall in the top of it, which made a very good room. Here she kept two winters when Ashfield insisted that she must remain summers, as it almost vacated the academy when she was away with Mrs. Grant. Then Buckland stepped in and offered a chance, and as father's hall was high up and not large enough, it was agreed to fit up a new place, and all the old joiners chipped in and Graham's hall was built



about as quick as Jonah's gourd grew. Here she kept two schools, and, in the meantime, a plan was maturing to make a permanent school here by buying the place now occupied by Dr. Trow and extending to the Griswold line, and also to take in the then White Jones place. The funds were forthcoming; but whether it was her foresight or the direction of Providence, the location was placed in a more suitable place. I would like to review the life of Mary Lyon as written by Miss White, but first let me state the facts. Mr. Ferry, who married Miss White, first courted Mary Lyon, and expected to marry her and she fully expected to marry him, but Mrs. White, a keen, thin-faced, long-nosed woman, persuaded him that her daughter Amanda would be more suitable for the wife of a missionary to Mackinaw, and he left Mary and took Amanda. It was a providential change, for Amanda made a good missionary, and Miss Lyon greatly excelled in the field she herself occupied. But Miss White's book says "she sold her linen, being in straitened circumstances, to get the means to continue her studies." Now Miss Lyon never was in reduced straits, nor did you ever see one of her name that was. She sold her accumulations because she saw the uncertainties of man's promises, and she then and there decided to devote her life to the great cause of education, and to her God who had never deceived or forsaken her. The book also undertakes to prove that she was a slattern—for you can't make much less of it. Now I knew Mary Lyon from a girl down to near the close of her life, and I never saw her when she was not dressed neat and tidy, and good enough for the position she occupied. I also knew Ashfield Plain well. The Paines and Whites were aristocratic families with whom I lived for two years. They treated me well, and I have no quarrel with them today; but when I first went to Ashfield they sneered at me on account of my dress. I wore the home-made suit my mother had spun and wove in her house. Mr. Pomeroy had dressed the cloth and Aunt Patty Whiting made it up—and I wore it out, too, in spite of the jeers about the pepper and salt suit; and I will add that after I had been there two years, digging away with all my inferior talent, I did not have to go to the brothers and sisters of this historian to find out how to analyse an intricate Latin phrase, or to work a hard problem in mathematics. This book also claims that her tuition was given her at the academy, but the truth was that she heard recitations enough to more than balance her tuition. Miss Lyon was a Buckland woman, and her attachments were here until she gathered up all for her Hadley home; and so long as Clesson's River runs seaward, and her borders are surrounded by the old Buckland homes, so long among these hills will linger the fragrance of her memory.

We now come to the merchants, ministers and physicians of Buckland—thankful to say we had no lawyers. Our tradesmen

were Brooks, Jones, Hubbard, Maj. Tyler, Capt. Mayhew, Lazell, Hitchcock, Wells, Ward, Maynard and Ballard, and since their time I am unacquainted. They went to market twice a year and all that we had then was fresh and new. Now-a-days if we do not replenish every other day from the drummer, our goods are called counter-worn. Well, these men supplied the families with dry goods and groceries, and if wives and daughters did not have the variety they do today—it was just as well—they never missed it. Dressmaking did not cost what it does now, but when we grumble at our bills, let us remember that the sewing girl is perhaps like Aunt Delia Thayer, keeping father and mother or aunt away from public charity; and if her filial devotion does not merit reward, what can we expect? In the way of trade we had one corn speculator that I must not omit to mention. While my father's brick house was building, and the workmen slept in the garret of the great shop, in the dead of the night we heard a fearful scream. All got up and hurried out, David Taylor on ahead. When we reached the meeting house we could hear the distant cry of "Murder!" On we went, till at the bridge over Taylor's brook, we found Stephen Nelson on his back at the bottom of the brook, ten bushels of corn on top of him, and his horse and wagon on top of the corn. We extricated him from his difficulty, found him uninjured, and it leaked out that Uncle Stephen had heard that corn was eighty cents a bushel a few miles below the Falls, and only seventy cents at the Falls, so he was going to make a dollar by a speculation. Perhaps you may think a dollar was a small margin, but I tell you a dollar in those days looked as big as a cart wheel does now. Mr. Hubbard always blackguarded Mr. Nelson about his corn speculation, and he never heard the last of it. For a generation or more I have been acquainted with that great speculating Wall Street in New York, and have seen multitudes with their pockets full of rocks, go in and take a flyer. Some few have become millionaires, but most of them have returned penniless, cursing the ingratitude, the cheat, the deception and wrong practiced upon them; but who cares for their wail? In the light of today I look upon Mr. Nelson as a successful speculator. He took his ten bushels of corn and went out to speculate, and with all its hazards, he returned at night with the same amount increased in bulk, like most speculations, by being watered.

With the exception of Dr. Holbrook, who passed away before my day, the medical men of Buckland were all known to me. He, with Drs. Allen, Long, Axtell and brothers Trow, constitute the whole from the settlement of the town. Of old Dr. Allen only will I speak. He was a waspy old fellow, hated boys, and would swear at them like a piper in his younger days. Many a time he has threatened to seize me by the nose and dose me with jalap and calomel. I suppose the modern M. D. would weaken



this a little and call it "Salts and Senna," but so far as the taste and smell are concerned it would be about the same thing. If a person was ailing in those days and called in the doctor, no matter what the difficulty was, the main practice was to stick the lancet into him the first thing and draw off what little vitality he had. Often have I seen persons faint holding the dish for blood, but I never fainted, and used to think as a prejudiced boy that I could hold the dish calmly if the old doctor's jugular vein had been tapped. One Saturday night he was called to see Roswell Butler, who had been well and at Singing-school the night before. As usual he stuck in his lancet, not knowing what ailed him, but coming up early the next morning, found he had the spotted fever, and at once exclaimed, "I swear Roswell, I've killed you!" And before nine o'clock he was a corpse. When the matter was first agitated of putting in a stove in the meeting house the doctor opposed it bitterly; would rather they should keep up a fire on the common for the boys and girls to toast their shins Sunday noons; but the stove was put in. Later in life he became a professed Christian and used to say he was educating his only son for a minister and hoped the Lord would prepare his heart. Joseph built better than his father thought; he turned out a fair farmer. On the whole let us speak well of Dr. Allen. He had his faults and his good qualities, toiled for the sick to the last, and dropped in his harness. Peace to his ashes in the old burying ground! Of the doctor's wife, Mrs. Allen, I will say that her train when she first came to Buckland was even longer than the ladies have at the present day, and required the services of a negro boy to carry it handsomely behind her.

The first church society in Buckland, dates with the settlement of the town, and Mr. Josiah Spaulding, who was settled between 1780-90, was the first permanent minister. I knew him perfectly well and worked for him a great deal. A noble old man he was. I have in my day heard many of the noted preachers of this country, but none of them have inspired me with the respect I have for the memory of old Mr. Spaulding. His oddities no man could number, and I must mention a few. It is related of him that being at Ashfield at an association, he hitched his horse at the end of the shed by the bars, and when he came to go home he found his bridle run through two post holes, and some other wrinkles which he did not understand. Mr. S. looked and looked, and said, "the horse had undoubtedly gone through the post holes, but he didn't think he could get him back and so he would have to cut the bridle." The boys were doubtless mischievous, but I will vouch that three of those boys made good Congregational ministers. Once when they were laying wall up that steep hill between Mr. Pratt and himself, they were lifting one end of a heavy stone, and Mr. Hall the other. Mr. Hall who you know was a very profane man, sang out, "Damn you! Why don't you



lift?" Mr. Spaulding let go, saying, "Oh, you mustn't swear!" and down went the stone to the bottom of the hill. On the Carter and Negress place was a great quantity of peaches, which somehow or other the boys would get. Mr. Spaulding said, "He did not care so much about the peaches, but it was wrong to leave so much temptation for the boys to steal." So he picked and carried them up to Israel Williams and had them distilled into brandy, about ten gallons. Now here is a question for your debating society: "Which is the greater wrong, to steal peaches or drink the brandy?" Mr. Spaulding was very liberal with his pulpit. Elder Ward, brother to John, used to come around occasionally and Mr. S. would let him have the use of it for half a day. Mr. Ward was one of the noisy kind, and pounded away hard on the pulpit and I always kept my eye close on the man's hand that held up the sounding board, expecting every moment he would scare him so as to let it fall, but he held on faithfully for about seventy years when I suppose modern philanthropy relieved him. The town records being destroyed, we can never know with certainty, but we would like to be informed whether this sounding board man was retired on a pension, or was cast aside as having outlived his usefulness. All the old people must remember the great revival called the Clary Revival, because Mr. Clary of Conway was engaged in it for a long time. Every thing was at a fever heat, a great many inquiring and a great many more shouting Hosanna. The meetings in all parts of the town were held to a late hour at night and again at an early hour in the morning. Business was greatly suspended and land left untilled. Mr. Spaulding was getting old and declined to attend these extra meetings. He was a cool old gentleman and carried a level head in many things and it was a bomb-shell thrown in that heated community when he remarked in his pulpit that "these too-numerous and late nightly gatherings were not in keeping with the public good or the best morals of the people." After sixty years of reflection I am inclined to think that Mr. Spaulding was right, and we young folks wrong. O, that we could go back to the halcyon days of Mr. Spaulding! You would see Moses Nelson come to meeting with his oxen, bringing his mother and sisters, and Mr. Ned Forbes go in at the front door with his leather apron on and turn up the left to his pew; all the congregation plainly dressed—myself barefoot at fifteen years of age, for those were the days when families were reared in industry, frugality and simplicity. Mr. Spaulding was sorely afflicted in the calamity which befell his only son. The long years of naked idiocy in his wooden cage, are familiar to you all. The care and attention he received, were all and more than could be expected, for when a human being is bereft of reason he sinks immeasurably below the brute. In nothing perhaps do the times

show more intelligent advance than in the understanding and treatment of the insane.

Of the Baptist society the record says: "a feeble church about half a century ago and finally died out." This record may seem correct but it conveys a wrong impression. The fact is that among the earlier settlers of this town was a large number of Baptist people, the Putnams, Mays, Lackeys, Forbes, Bachelors, Taylors, Whitings, Lyons and many more, but the church building happened to be over the line in Ashfield, as yonder church is now in Shelburne; but stand with me on that long iron bridge of a Sunday and see how many cross over to that brick church from this Buckland side. Just so in those times. The Baptists were here as numerous as the others, and they helped build up this town and rear those large families from the first settlement.

So of the Methodists. The record says, "no public place of worship till about fifty years from the incorporation of the town." The record is correct; yet the facts are these: In early times the Methodists did not believe in meeting houses. They were a people of great plainness and simplicity and preferred to hold their meetings in barns and sheds, in the public highway, or in the forest about Catamount Den; they met as they did in apostolic days wherever they could collect a crowd, no matter if it was simply under the canopy of heaven. But they have changed now and conform more to the general customs of other societies. The women became tired of sitting all day in a partly cleaned stable, with their boys dangling their limbs over the high beams overhead, as I have many times seen them. Well, the Baptists have modified that nasal twang so peculiar to them seventy years ago, and the Methodists have lowered the tone in which Elder Ward spoke when I was worried about the sounding board. So all have had their modifications, and today you cannot tell a Methodist or a Baptist from the old order; and the old order, though backed up by the whole power of the State until recently, has been greatly modified and changed. Our old Methodists were Father Rawson, one of the sixty to storm Stony Point, the Davises, the Peltons, some of the Wards, all the Woods, Forbess, some of the Tobeys, and Brackets, the Perkins, the Woodwards, the Clarks, the Mallorys, the Spragues, and the Johnsons, and others whom I do not now think of—all these have contributed to the building up and support of this town, and their descendants are scattered far and wide over our populous country. Of children, I believe Josiah Johnson scored 20, against Uncle Brooks 17, the next highest, and from that number down to a baker's dozen the families were numerous. Your Speaker, not having very high aspirations in building up a community, has rested where his own father and Samuel Taylor, 2d, rested, and was satisfied by scoring a baker's dozen.



Of Shelburne Falls it becomes me to say a very little. When I left Buckland the two Coleman farms and Lieut. Ellis' constituted the village of Shelburne Falls on the Buckland side—Mr. Nims in the bend, Mr. Eddy's, Mr. White's, and Mr. Field's, the two Thayers' and Fullers', and all the land behind. The bridge was built about ten years before I left. It was a Burr bridge and built by Mr. Sheldon of Deerfield, Capt. Johnson doing the stone work. Mr. Ellis was the main man that pushed the project through. Scott's bridge was built by Consider Scott about ten years later, under contract, by which he lost considerable money. Allen Barnard did the wood work and Capt. Johnson the masonry. About the last of my work in Buckland was to help build this bridge. Before the time of these bridges we used to ford the river at Taylor's in Charlemont, and if the water was low, cross and come by the Hotchkiss place. If the water was extremely low, we crossed just above the bridge, but it was not safe. I once undertook it here when the water was higher than I expected, and my horse and wagon had to swim. I stepped on the kingbolt to keep it in, and got out safely, but received a reprimand from my mother for wetting the grist. When the water was very high we went by Ashfield, Conway and Deerfield to Greenfield. Every little while came up the ringing cry that somebody had gone over the Falls, and once I recollect of going a long way down below the Falls where a decayed body had been found. The services were held on the spot and the body buried in the sand. Since I left Buckland you have built up a beautiful village, and have factories and workshops that are a credit to the builders and the town. You have industrious mechanics and intelligent merchants. You have supported excellent schools and raised your own teachers. This is well. I have recently looked over the old ledgers of several towns, and what do I find? Toddy, toddy, toddy, flip, flip, flip, rum, brandy and sugar for ministers and all. Perhaps the seller made money, but it often made him a drunkard, and his sons too. Now your fine equipages, your horses, and carriages, your nice houses, and furniture are all legitimate outlays, and mark an advanced stage of civilization and refinement. The laborer gets every dollar you spend, and there is nothing any plainer in the arrangements of Providence than that he who has more talent must lay out work for him that has less. The trouble is not that you spend, but your idleness. When the low descending sun goes down on your misspent day, all the power that you possess, and all that your Maker has given you, cannot recall the misspent day. It is lost—forever lost, to you, to the world, and to your God.

At the after dinner exercises, Honorable Henry Winn acted as master of ceremonies. Mrs. Ella C. Drabble's poem was fol-



lowed by letters from absent friends who found it impossible to personally respond to the invitations sent, and from Judson S. Brown of Washington, D. C., Reverend Lathrop Taylor, President of Wheaton College, Ill., and Honorable Bushnell White, U. S. Marshal at Cleveland, Ohio.

Reverend William Johnson of Greenfield, Wis., sent as his contribution, a book entitled *Records of the Descendants of David Johnson of Leominster*, a valuable account of the Johnson families of Buckland who were descended from David of Leominster.

Senator Winn preceded the regular toasts of the afternoon with a tribute to the sturdy race who came to Buckland a century ago, not finding it as today, but an unbroken forest. They created wealth, felled the timber and drove the Indian away. Among other things they fought against, were bad habits, and here the speaker referred to the drinking propensities of the olden time when the ministers even set an example of tippling. The old Elder in Whitingham (Vt.), in his father's day, on one occasion, closed the benediction by asking the Lord for mercy, grace and peace, and without a pause informed the people that a barrel of new rum had been received at his house, and he invited all to come over and partake of it. The fathers in Buckland were not ignorant for they read the law and discussed constitutional questions in town meeting. They had a stern theology but successful villainy never found a foothold here.

Deacon Silas Trowbridge responded to the sentiment given for the old men of Buckland. This was followed by a toast to the young men of Buckland, responded to by Charles E. Ward. He quoted the maxim "Old men for counsel, young men for war," but the gathering of the day was one of peace, and the young soldier had no right in the "vet's" place at the camp-fire, and he would be contented to be a listener. He referred poetically to the winding Clesson's River, the burden of whose song is forward and not back—which might be adopted as a symbol of our future.

George D. Crittenden responded for "Our Town Fathers," comparing the manners and habits of the present with those of the past. In illustrating the point emphasized he told the following story:

Years ago a party of Buckland people settled on the Holland Purchase, 300 miles west of here, in the state of

New York. Years afterward a Buckland man went out there and they asked him who was the first selectman in town, and he replied, "John Porter." "Who is your Deacon?" was the next question, and the answer was, "John Porter." "Who leads your choir?" "John Porter." "Who is the superintendent of your Sabbath School?" "John Porter." "Who is the Justice of the Peace?" "John Porter." "Who commands the Militia company?" "John Porter." "Whom did you send to the Legislature last year?" "John Porter." Out of patience, the next question was, "For heaven's sake, who made you?" And promptly came the response, "John Porter."

In relating this incident he sought to show how there is in every community, some one outstanding personality.

Dr. Trow, spoke for the Medical profession, prescribing some of the requisites for a successful practitioner thus: "He must be good-looking—a handsome man; must have a foreign appearance; wear a ring; carry a cane and soft soap enough for a whole neighborhood; and then if possessing an abundance of cheek he might commence the study of medicine."

Reverend C. L. Guild responded in behalf of the clergy, and Reverend Samuel S. Clark of Holyoke for the women of Buckland.

To Professor William F. Sherwin was given the closing toast—The Music and Musicians of Olden Times.



## CHAPTER

# 17

### ORGANIZATIONS

*Membership in a worth-while organization implies service,  
An obligation to aid in the onward march of men and affairs;  
To further all good causes.*

#### BUCKLAND GRANGE

THE following account of the Grange was by request, prepared by Mrs. Florence Haeberle:

It was sixty-one years ago—March 9, 1875—that Buckland Grange was organized. Not far from that same time we find the Grange movement taking root in such neighboring towns as Ashfield, Colrain, Shelburne, Cummington, Greenfield, Northfield, and Amherst. The organizing deputy for this district was Sylvester B. Smith from Colrain.

The first Master was Ezekiel D. Bement, who lived on the farm now owned by Herbert Keach. Among the other officers were Hosea Stockwell, who lived where Julian Goddard now lives; Eli Maynard, who lived in the present Anderson house in Clock Hollow; Rev. C. L. Guild, the Congregational minister; and H. L. Warfield whose farm was the one now owned by Earl Lilly.

The regalia of this early Grange consisted of small aprons and sashes. These were worn by all officers and members, and were made by them. The material was cambric, brown for men and white for women; the trimming was red braid. This old regalia is the property of the present Grange, and has been worn on a few occasions.

There was no Grange hall here in 1875. The present hall was then the Methodist church and stood where the Library now stands. The Grange met in the vestry of the Congregational church. At that time the section of the vestry at the front of the church, where the kitchen and parlors are now



located, was one long, narrow room, and it was in this room that the Grange meetings and functions were held.

It appears that the primary purpose in organizing this Grange was to furnish the farmers of Buckland a medium for cooperative buying. The National Grange movement was an outgrowth of the difficult years following the Civil War, and it was hoped that economic conditions for the farmer would be bettered through the buying and distributing of this National organization, and by the elimination of the middleman's profit. In such service the Grange has always been a powerful factor. In those early days it proved itself a great aid to the farming industry, more directly perhaps in the west, then more sparsely settled and therefore offering greater problems of distribution and buying, and in the South where the effects of the war were still keenly felt, than in New England. These local organizations did do some cooperative buying, chiefly along the lines of groceries and household provisions. Our late brother, Fred Warfield, mentioned driving with his father to Shelburne Falls on one occasion and bringing home an order of groceries including a keg of molasses.

But, perhaps, because in this locality farming was general and on a small scale—in other words, because each farmer was able to raise on his own land practically enough provision for his family's needs—the operations of the Grange in a business capacity were insufficient to keep it alive for that purpose alone. It seems doubtful if at that time the literary and social possibilities of the order were realized, or at least, very far developed. At any rate whether for these reasons or others, we soon find a good many of the local Granges dying out. After a little more than a year, the Buckland Grange surrendered its charter.

Shortly after, in 1878, the Farmer's Club was started, and in its list of founders we find many of the same names that appear in the early Grange records. This latter society never has had any connection with the Grange, but it is quite possible that the successful career of the Farmer's Club during the years that followed, satisfying as it did the need for social gatherings, was partially responsible for the fact that we hear no more of Grange activity in this section for many years. At any rate, it was not until 1903 that the Grange idea was revived.

On April 8, 1903, William N. Howard, still a state officer and deputy, was sent as a deputy to Buckland in an attempt to interest enough people to warrant a reorganization. Working with Albert Wiley, who had moved here not long before from Whitingham, Vermont, where he was a Grange Past Master, enough interest was aroused so that a meeting was

held that evening. In the vestry where the Grange had met nearly thirty years before, the present Grange was reorganized and given a charter as Number 87. The following officers were chosen:

Master	Fred Warfield
Overseer	Eugene Elmer
Steward	Carlton Wiley
Asst. Steward	Gilbert Griswold
Treasurer	Linwood Elmer
Secretary	Charles Trow
Lecturer	Dr. Greaves
Lady Asst. Steward	Mabel Greaves
Graces	{ Cora Warfield
	{ Ella Trow
	{ Pearl Elmer

By this time the unused Methodist church had been moved to make room for the new library—in fact it had been moved in 1890, and stood on its present site. Various attempts had been made since that time to use it for public entertainments, and so forth, but it had always been rather of a “White Elephant” in the hands of the association formed to finance it, and in 1902 was sold at auction to Asahel Hawks. The Grange began to consider the idea of buying it, and the question arose as to whether or not it would be too much of an obligation for so young an organization. In August 1903, the first Grange Field Day was held—at Joseph Ballard’s grove. It was quite a pretentious affair with guest speakers and State Master Ladd present. His advice was asked as to the advisability of purchasing the hall. He was heartily in favor of the Grange undertaking the proposition if possible. He even offered aid from the State Grange. So it was voted that the Grange should buy the hall. In September a Grange exhibit was held at the fair at Charlemont which resulted in quite a sum toward the amount that was necessary to be raised. The Grange also held a fair, several public suppers and food sales, from which they realized more money, and still more was raised personally among members. By October the fund was sufficiently large for the Grange to definitely assume ownership, and in that month the hall was dedicated.

These early members, many of whom are still active (the Grange should be very proud of the fact that there were in 1932 seventeen Silver Star members), have worked unceasingly during the years since the hall was purchased to wipe out the debt. They have papered and painted the hall, put on a slate roof, installed furnace and lighting, and bought a piano. Repairs and upkeep unfortunately are not perman-

ent, and at present the Grange is far from proud of the condition of the hall. The need is urgent for raising a definite fund for extensive and immediate repairs—a task which looks stupendous, but which is no greater than others which have been undertaken and accomplished throughout the history of the Grange. These past achievements stand as a challenge.

#### BUCKLAND FARMER'S CLUB

An organization that has flourished for nearly sixty years at the Center is the Buckland Farmer's Club. The late John Abbott whose home was in the north part of the town suggested its formation and as a result, a meeting was held at the Brick School house, November 29, 1878, at which time a constitution was adopted and the late Frederick Forbes chosen president, with Enoch Stockwell vice-president, and Reuben Field secretary and treasurer. Of the forty-two charter members, nine were women. At first the meetings were held in homes but this custom soon gave way to the practice of holding them in the vestry of the Congregational church. The Buckland Farmer's Club is one of the oldest of its kind in the country. The two senior members are Edmund Smith and Charles Wilder, both of whom signed the charter in 1878.

From a small beginning this organization has become influential, drawing to its large and enthusiastic membership people from the majority of the western Franklin County towns.

The Massachusetts State College sends many speakers, all bringing messages of vital interest in farm management. Lectures are also given along lines which tend to broaden the viewpoints of people living in the hill towns, thus aiding in the development of fuller, richer standards of living. From all of this men and women alike gather knowledge and inspiration.

#### BUCKLAND BAND

A cornet band was organized at Buckland Center, November 5, 1880, with S. B. Taylor, president; G. H. Sears, secretary and treasurer; and C. S. Ward, leader. This was in existence in 1892 but no definite information is available as to the length of time it functioned.



### LOWER BUCKLAND ORGANIZATIONS

Because the people in Shelburne Falls living on the Buckland side of the Deerfield River join with the people on the Shelburne side in all of the organizations as well as in church work, it is impossible to divide the same. Consequently the attempt has been made to include in the Buckland history those organizations that function on that side of the river.

Both the Boy and Girl Scouts as well as the Girl Reserves, have held some meetings on the Buckland side but it is not thought that they organized in this town.

### PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATION

The Parent-Teacher Association was organized at the Methodist church in lower Buckland on February 18, 1913. Thirteen ladies were present, and Mrs. McKnight Phillips chosen as the first president. The members were from Shelburne and Buckland and they worked together with genuine cooperation.

From the very first this group has done much in giving money for worthwhile projects. Playground equipment, books and pictures have been contributed to both the Baker and Crittenden schools.

Through the influence of the Parent-Teacher Association the district nurse began her duties in 1918, and she was furnished her first "kit," scales purchased for her use and the sum of twenty-five dollars for relief work was given for her disposal.

In October 1923, the Parent-Teacher Association purchased milk and straws for needy children in the schools. Another very worthwhile project was the reorganization of the Boy Scouts, the engaging of a leader, and the paying for his services by this group of women. In 1929 over one hundred dollars was raised to help finance the equipment of the school band.

These are but few of the many ways the Parent-Teacher Association has served the public in this community. At present the membership is about one hundred persons.

### THE SHELburne FALLS BAND

This band was started in 1835 but did not function as an organization until 1837 when Solomon Merrill, Martin Merrill

and Jonathan Nims assumed the leadership in its formation. In the early years of its existence many concert tours were made. During 1843, engagements netted the band two thousand dollars.

In 1892 the Shelburne Falls Band accompanied the G. A. R to Washington, D. C., where it received much applause for its fine music.

The band recently celebrated its one hundredth anniversary and is supposed to be the oldest band organization in the country which has rendered such continuous service. At the town meetings appropriations are made each year for band concerts. These are given on both the Buckland and Shelburne sides of the river, likewise at Buckland and Shelburne Centers, in all about sixteen in a season.

While this organization originated on the Shelburne side of the Deerfield it has drawn musicians from the two towns for the most of its existence.

#### ALETHIAN LODGE, I. O. O. F.

The charter for Alethian Lodge, No. 128, bears the date August 3, 1848, and the officers were installed on the thirteenth of the following month. The petition as presented to the Grand Lodge of the Order, was signed by John Briggs, E. G. Bardwell, Dan. P. Foster, B. F. Goodwin, Henry Campbell, Charles Wells, M. W. Merrill, Samuel L. Bardwell, G. B. Hayes, E. M. Whitney, Levi Smith, and Charles M. Duncan. This petition was granted May 20, 1848. The lodge rooms were in the Annawansett block which with its contents, was destroyed by fire in 1876.

In the rebuilding of the burned area, the Odd Fellows purchased the lot where the Woodward House (hotel) had stood and there erected a new three story building, forty-five by sixty-five feet, at a cost of about eight thousand dollars. The first floor was given over to the use of stores. The building was dedicated June 8, 1877, in an appropriate manner. For the ensuing eighteen years this home of Odd Fellowship was enjoyed, and then again fire partially demolished the building. All the records were destroyed. Not easily discouraged, the Odd Fellows had the old building reconstructed in its present form. Dr. Wells carved the large insignia on the front of the building. The present membership is 167.

## REBEKAHS

The woman's auxiliary to the Odd Fellows is the North Star Rebekah Lodge, which received its charter June 14, 1880. At this time there are 128 members.

## SONS OF ST. GEORGE

In February 1884, some of the English people formed an organization known as Nelson Lodge, Sons of St. George. The charter members were William Oats, William Porter, Jr., J. Woodcock, Charles Howson, J. Martin, Charles Cropper, John Wild, Thomas Wild, W. Shaw, G. Heathcote, W. Walker, William Depaledge, H. Depaledge. English Hall built on Ashfield Street by the Sons of St. George, was dedicated in June 1915. At the present time there are twenty-three members.

## DAUGHTERS OF ST. GEORGE

The Daughters of St. George organized May 2, 1904, with twenty-one charter members, namely: Martha Martin, Mary Fish, Elizabeth Haigis, Nellie Walker, Lucy Spencer, Ella Adams, Ada Shaw, Sarah Cardwell, Sadie Wild, Grace Mills, Lucy Martin, Mary Mills, Ann Wild, Isabelle Wild, Cora Oats, Eliza Ashton, Sally Richmond, Mamie Cardwell, Bertha Martin, Grace Martin, Theresa Baker.

Now there are but twelve members and instead of meeting at the hall they gather at their homes.





## CHAPTER

# 18

### MANUFACTURING AND INDUSTRIES

*How short the space! How much to do!  
How few and brief the days of men!  
So much to learn of false and true,  
And only three score years and ten!*

IT must be remembered that, when the hills were covered with virgin timber, the brooks and rivers were much larger than at the present time. This was especially true of Clesson's River which runs through the center of the town. Almost its entire length small turning, sawing and grinding mills dotted the banks at short intervals. Through the west part of the town, near the Hawley boundary, business was so flourishing that the section was known as the "Upper City." Fine wagons were made here by Deacon Harris Wight. Very near the Hawley line at the fork of the roads, Elijah Phillips built about 1818 a blacksmith shop where for many years he carried on a successful business. He received the then usual price of fifty cents for shoeing a horse. He also did some cabinet work. A desk which he made at this time is unique in that in a drawer it has a slot just large enough to receive the half dollar before mentioned. A time saver, as it did away with the need of opening the drawer when money was to be deposited.

Nearly opposite the house now owned by Halbert Dodge, Abel Parker owned and operated a fulling and grist mill. Just below, Asa Davis had both a saw and turning mill. All these mills stood within a few rods of each other.

Silas Smith operated a carding mill near the present home of Wesley Ruddock. Directly opposite the High Street school house stood Wood's smithy. A shop owned by Zur Hitchcock

was located where Mrs. Kenney's barn now stands. Here a number of men were employed to polish and grind cutlery which was shipped here from Greenfield in the rough and returned as finished products. A little further south was the Chambers File factory. In 1862 this business was moved to Springfield and in 1867 C. O. Warner bought the building and carried on a business of recutting files. The next farm, owned by the late Walter D. Smith, was the site of a mill where doors, sash and blinds were made by Elisha Smith, grandfather of Walter D. Smith. These building necessities, Smith and his son, Hoyt Smith, used in the many houses they built in Buckland and the surrounding towns. Both these men were considered as masters of their trade of carpentry and building. Elisha, the father, had served an apprenticeship under Colonel John Ames.

At the Four Corners in the south part of the town, Russell Smith had an auger and bit shop. Later in the same building Goodale Brothers manufactured bit braces. Here also Ezra Wood made shaving and lather boxes.

In the early days the turning shops made all the wooden faucets used in the county. In 1867 Charles S. Guilford installed the first circular saw used in this section, in his faucet factory. Most of the shops had enough orders to keep them busy the year round. Soft maple and pine were used for faucets, rolling pins and various products.

Enos Pomeroy, grandfather of Mrs. Electa Stratton, now over one hundred years old, had a noted fulling and carding mill where the cloth dressed was as fine and firm as broadcloth. These mills were at the bend in the river. Pomeroy built and occupied the house now owned by Clifton Kenney. Mary Lyon used to come over the hill, horseback, bringing the cloth she had woven, to him to be dressed.

Very near Joseph Griswold built a shop to manufacture doors, sash and blinds. Later this was used for a file shop by a Mr. Clark.

Peter Butler had a small shop where he made pen holders and button molds. Near the late Horace Taylor's, John Ward had a grist mill. Reverend Washington Nichols in his centennial poem speaks of him as:

Miller John, upright soul,  
Who left the grist and took the toll.

Later this mill was owned by David W. Taylor who also operated a turning shop in connection with the grist mill.

At the center was located Major Griswold, a fine carpenter who served an apprenticeship with Colonel John Ames. By extracts from his account book copied by W. O. Taylor in 1886, it is found that as early as 1809, he was making coffins which business he appeared to continue until 1836 when the last entry was made. These coffins were shaped very much like the cases used by the Egyptians centuries ago, one of full size being about eight inches at the foot, growing wider at the shoulders and then drawn in at the head. Some were painted but many more left unfinished. Occasionally a crude lining of gray cambric was used. Concerning the custom then prevalent of buying years before needed and then using these coffins for storage purposes, many amusing stories are extant. A few entries from Major Griswold's account book follow, mainly to give an idea as to costs at this time:

.... Estate of, Dr., to a coffin for himself, April, 1836.....	\$4.00
.... Dr. to a coffin Jan. 1824.....	1.33
.... Dr. to a coffin which was charged to .... about April 1827; the widow paid part in work....	3.00
.... Dr. to a coffin Oct. 30, 1827.....	2.75
.... Dr. to a coffin for Betsey, July, 1828.....	2.75
.... Joseph or Sally, Dr. to a coffin, Oct. 1832,.....	1.00
.... town of Buckland, by .... Dr. to a coffin, July, 1831.....	2.75
.... Dr. to a coffin, Dec. 1809.....	
.... Dr. to a small coffin Aug. 1817.....	.45

The mill owned by Linwood Elmer was built by Newton Griswold for his sash and blind factory. This later changed hands and Franklin Ballard manufactured therein children's sleds, penholders, croquet sets from apple wood, knife boxes, etc.

A small tannery built by Zenas Graham used to stand where Elmer's storehouse is now located. Skins of young calves, called deacon skins, were tanned and made into dancing slippers and wedding shoes.

Among the earliest settlers of Buckland were three brothers from Lancaster, Alpheus, Jabez and Amos Brooks, all blacksmiths. Alpheus, the eldest, built a shop where the library is now located. Here the nails were made that were used by Colonel



John Ames in building the Congregational church in 1785. Jabez built his shop on the lower street near the bridge in the vicinity of the saw mill now owned by Earl Lilly. Amos removed to Heath and worked there at his trade. After some years Alpheus gave up his shop to his brother Jabez. He was called "Sir Brooks," became the first town treasurer, and was in his day considered the wealthiest man in Buckland. Very near this smithy, potash was made by Hubbard and Hitchcock. This firm also made clocks in Clock Hollow. Later a Mr. Sherwin, father of William, bought out and continued this business of clock making at the Clock Hollow stand. Sherwin's clocks are still to be found in town.

On the site of the mill now owned by Earl Lilly was one built by J. Sumner Ward, father of Charles E. The original one was burned in 1867 and rebuilt only to be washed away by the disastrous flood of 1869. This high water changed the course of the river leaving the stony flat back of the mill.

At the mill yard Samuel Taylor and his father built the first saw mill. They came across the Deerfield River from the old Taylor fort before this section was settled, while it was still a part of Charlemont. Here also was located the first grist mill. Since that time many mills have been operated in this vicinity.

The making of wooden ware—cisterns and wash tubs—was one of the trades carried on about 1800. Coopering was learned by young men serving an apprenticeship. Before 1800 Daniel Trowbridge had built the old cooper's shop opposite the present north school house. This business was passed to his son Rufus Trowbridge who sold to his brother Silas. Here wash tubs, keelers and puggins (forms for making brick) were made of pine. Barrels for storing food and butter firkins were made of oak and ash.

From about 1825 to 1830 there were made barrels for a distillery at Warehouse Point, Conn., about one hundred a year being shipped by boat from Cheapside, Greenfield, then Deerfield. Meat barrels of varying sizes were of white oak, hoop poles from ash cut in the swamps of Hawley. Silas T. Trowbridge's products were always of the best workmanship and in good demand.

Barnabas Wells, grandfather of the Wells Brothers of Greenfield—the late Frederick E. and Frank O. Wells—built and operated a smithy.

At the mill yard David Crittenden did a flourishing business at his saw and grist mills. His son Aaron built the house now owned by Benjamin Eastman, which is popularly known as "the lightning splitter" so steep is the large expanse of roof. Orrin Pratt succeeded Mr. Crittenden in the mill business. This section was on the old county road as was the first post-office kept in the house now occupied by M. D. Mitchell. Opposite this old post-office site were located the house, saw and grist mill owned by Bushnell White's father, Levi White. In this immediate vicinity Pliny Wells had a cobbler's shop, where he both made and repaired shoes.

Frederick Louis Boehmer, came to this country and was the first German to live in Greenfield. His stay there was of short duration, then he moved to Buckland, lived in a house near the twin bridges where underneath his home, in a basement, he had a work shop. Here he made very fine surgical instruments for a Dr. Morse of New York City. Later he bought and lived in the "lightning splitter," and in a shop across the road he made scissors, knives of all kinds and razors. Many of these old razors and pocket knives are still in use in this section. A knife or razor made by F. L. Boehmer was always regarded as containing a very high grade of steel.

All these shops and mills were located in the older part of Buckland and not operated at the same time. Following the custom of those days it was just another instance of each community proving itself sufficient for its own needs, and at the same time laying the foundations for a more or less limited commerce with neighboring sections. Today only Lilly's mill is in use, and that is run by power furnished by the Western Massachusetts Company. No dams check the peaceful flow of Clesson's River waters for their entire length.

#### SASH, DOOR AND BLIND SHOP

The principal wood working shop in Lower Buckland is now owned and operated by Harold P. Davenport, and is located on State Street. Before 1860 Murdock and Green had a planing mill here. This later became the property of Tobey and Richmond who added saw mill machinery. The old building was burned in 1863 and the present one erected by Samuel Tobey

who also replaced the machinery lost and added a stone for grinding. In 1868 Josiah A. Richmond purchased the property and used it as a planing mill, and sash, door and blind factory. The power was furnished by an eighteen horse power engine. For some ten years during the 1870's and early 1880's the firm was Richmond and Merriam. Josiah Richmond died in 1904 and the business passed to his son Waldo who carried it on until death took him in 1922.

Improvements have been made by the present owner, Mr. Davenport, including an extension of the front, and large windows, while just north on the river bank he has built a large storehouse for lumber. Paints and roofings have been added to the stock in trade.

#### SAW MILLS

A saw mill was built by W. Eugene Shaw on Creamery Avenue—now State Street—in 1905. This he operated until 1912 when he sold to his brother Charles. For five years, until 1918, the latter carried on the business and then the mill was shut down.

Warren Hitchcock built a saw mill on Creamery Avenue in 1932 which is in use at the present time.

#### THE PEG SHOP

The peg shop was built by Jacob R. Foster in 1893. This industry came here because white birch wood was the best adapted to making pegs and was here available, in what was supposed to be an inexhaustible supply. In fact the claim was made that enough abounded in the region to last one hundred years. As a matter of fact, it lasted five years and then the shop of necessity closed, never again to manufacture pegs here. (See Goodell Tool Company.) The machinery was transferred to Plymouth, N. H., to the shop there.

These wooden pegs were made in over one hundred different sizes and were shipped to Germany and Austria to be used in the manufacture of shoes. Some of the very large sizes were utilized in the making of window sashes.



## AMERICAN METAL CASKET COMPANY

For a very short time the American Metal Casket Company manufactured caskets in the old peg shop, but in 1902<sup>1</sup> moved the business to Pepperell.

## THE GOODELL TOOL AND GOODELL-PRATT COMPANIES

After the removal of the Casket Company, the shop stood idle for six years. In 1904, the owner of the building, Jacob R. Foster, sold it to Albert D. Goodell who, with a brother and son Fred, manufactured bit braces, hollow augers, glass cutters and other tools, employing therefor about twenty-seven men. The Goodell Tool Company was formed in 1907 and the business bought from A. D. Goodell. The same line of tools was made until August 1925 when the business was moved to Greenfield, having been sold to the Goodell-Pratt Company of that town. After its purchase and before its removal it was known as Goodell-Pratt Plant, No. 3.

The factory was bought by Earl W. Lilly in 1934 and in the fall of the year he here assembles crates for apple packing.

## THE PRATT DROP-FORGE AND TOOL COMPANY

A new manufacturing concern came into Buckland in 1910 when William M. Pratt of Greenfield bought the Ducharm Manufacturing Company and formed a stock company which was incorporated as the Pratt Drop-Forge and Tool Company. The directors were William M. Pratt, F. R. Pratt, C. D. Severance, Francis Ducharm and M. Z. Woodward. A modern factory was built on land north of Wellington Street, purchased of C. L. McKnight. This was known as Plant No. 2. When business was at its peak the company averaged to employ about sixty men. This industry was carried on until the Goodell-Pratt Company sold to the Millers Falls Company. The latter closed it, having a like department which they continued to operate.

## THE LAMSON AND GOODNOW MANUFACTURING COMPANY

At the Shelburne Falls section of the town there were no mills or factories before 1850, when a cutlery was established by Ebenezer and Nathaniel Lamson, sons of Silas Lamson, who invented

the bent scythe snathe. The cutlery was built on the Shelburne side of the river and moved to its present site in 1851. In 1852 about two hundred men were employed; at present, about one hundred.

The products were a very fine grade of table cutlery and not far from two hundred thousand dollars' worth of goods were annually sold in the principal markets throughout the United States.

A large brick building, two hundred and eight feet by forty-five feet was constructed, three stories high, and before the cutlery works were moved in, the town of Shelburne Falls held its Fourth of July celebration in the upper room, using it as a hall.

In October 1855, a stock company was formed by which the business has since been conducted.

On the night before the eighteenth of October 1862, the buildings were completely destroyed by fire, at which time the company had a very large contract for guns from the United States Government. This involved a heavy loss of between \$75,000 and \$80,000, and about three hundred men were thrown out of employment.

An extract from the Gazette and Courier of 1869 is of interest as it not only indicates the reputation of the firm but also shows the superiority of the grade of goods marketed from this plant.

#### THE PRESIDENT'S CUTLERY

The set of cutlery which the employees of the Lamson and Goodnow Manufacturing Company at Shelburne Falls have lately completed for presentation to President Grant, is now on exhibition at New York, in a Broadway window, and is thus described by the Times:

As a specimen of taste, skill and style, it does exceeding credit to the workmen. It is of temper and finish equal to the finest improved cutlery, and has the advantage of being American in design, as well as manufacture. The set consists of sixty-two pieces—two dozen dinner knives, half a dozen carving knives and fork, and a pair of steels. The forks are two-pronged—a delicate compliment, we suppose, to the General's recollections of "Auld Lang Syne." Half the set are in pearl handles, and half in ivory, the design of both being the same. The handles are gracefully shaped and delicately carved in American maple leaves. The American spread eagle is engraved on the blades, which are joined to

the handles with heavy bands of gold. On each blade, below the spread eagle, is the inscription, "U. S. Grant, President of the United States." The case containing the set is an elegant affair, and quite in keeping, being composed of two kinds of American wood—butternut and bird's-eye maple; it is fitted up with scarlet velvet inside, with a compartment for each article.

In 1889, H. A. Bowen moved the paper box business into the second story of the Lamson and Goodnow Manufacturing Company's carpenter shop.

The familiar sound of the cutlery bell has become one of the traditions of the town, so thoroughly is it interwoven with the town's life, and every child reared in the village knows full well the significance of the curfew, rung each night at nine o'clock.

### CHARCOAL PITS

Before the railroad came to town to bring the coal which was needed at the cutlery and other smaller factories, charcoal was used. This was made in "charcoal pits." Billets of wood were piled on end in rows to form a large cone about twenty feet in diameter at the base, covered with turf. Holes were left at the bottom for the entrance of air and at the top for a chimney. The wood burned slowly from the bottom to the top and from the center to the outside. About a week was required for this burning and it had to be closely watched day and night, for if too much draft was given the wood would blaze, if insufficient draft allowed then the fire would go out. When this burning was over the whole was covered and left for two or three days to cool. Then the charcoal was removed from the pit and sold at six cents a bushel. There was supposed to be about twenty-four percent of the weight of the wood left in the form of charcoal.

The remains of these pits are still found on the farm of the late George D. Crittenden who carried on quite an extensive business in charcoal burning until the cutlery was able to obtain other coal. Homer Johnson and Joseph Goddard were employed by Mr. Crittenden to tend these pits.

### GRANITE QUARRIES

By following the Mohawk Trail about a mile north from the Shelburne Falls bridge there is found by the side of the highway,



signs of an old granite quarry. This was owned and opened by Ira Merrill about one hundred years ago. Granite blocks for numberless foundations, bridge abutments, and buildings were here secured. The stone in the Shelburne hotel and bank building was blasted here, as was also the stone in the retaining walls through the dugway. For ten years this was leased and operated by Wright and Lyon, an outside firm, who shipped quantities of stone away. A siding on the railroad was built and in one month alone six hundred carloads of stone left this quarry. About twenty men were employed in the height of the season. This business was discontinued over twenty years ago. Ira Merrill had seven sons all of whom are supposed to have become stone masons.

Luther Smith owns property on West mountain where stone was quarried for the foundations of Science Hall. A good grade of granite is found on this mountain side, but is not easily accessible.

#### MINING

From items in the Greenfield Gazette and Courier it is learned that veins of gold and platinum were found and some ore excavated in the western part of Buckland. These lodes were located in the pasture belonging to the late Homer W. Dodge. In 1888 Frost and Swan of Shelburne Falls bought the gold mine from Dodge and Coleman. Experts from away examined and expressed much confidence in it. A little later a second vein of gold was discovered but in all probability there was not enough metal to make mining here a success for nothing further developed from the venture, and its greatest interest is from a geological standpoint.

#### GREENHOUSES

Lucius S. Fife was the first to go into the florist's business in this section. About 1880 he built a small greenhouse on his property just west of the present Walter Legate home. He also carried on market gardening on land he owned east of the creamery. By 1887, increased business necessitated the enlargement of his plant. Because of ill health he sold in 1911 to Paul R. Burt who three years later sold to the Misses Jennings and Alice Thorp of Bellows Falls. However, in a very short time Burt bought back the property and moved the houses to West Deerfield.

While Mr. Fife was in business he had a competitor in Luther Fuller who established a greenhouse on Green Street. This was razed about 1926 and the material utilized to build the north greenhouse at the Shaw place on State Street.

Mrs. Helen Heathcote, living on Ashfield Street had a greenhouse connected with her house. While very small, this furnished her a means of livelihood for a number of years.

The largest greenhouses in this section were built by William Eugene Shaw on State Street. In 1912 the first house was put up. Business increased and it became necessary to expand. In 1921 a Lord and Burham commercial house was built by the company and is the largest of the group, being one hundred and forty by forty feet. In 1926 a north greenhouse was added with an office on the street. W. E. Shaw sold his interests to his youngest brother, Harry P. Shaw, the present owner, who built in 1931 the glass house on the opposite side of the street.

Here are raised a superior quality of carnations, snap dragons and chrysanthemus. In the spring vegetable and flower plants are grown to supply the market from North Adams to Greenfield.

#### WOOD'S SALE STABLE

An old landmark on State Street is the sales stable established by the late Frank J. Wood in 1880. This building was originally a part of the Dan Townsley property, which was bought by the Standard Oil Company and the buildings thereon razed to make room for their Filling Station. These Townsley buildings were among the oldest in this section of the town, built in 1838 when the County road extended up North Street.

Mr. Wood bought this barn on the river bank and carried on a sales stable a few years alone, then in 1885 took into partnership Ira Guilford with whom he was connected until the death of Mr. Guilford in 1904. This firm bought carloads of "green" horses in Iowa and had them shipped here, where there was always a good demand for them, horses being furnished for a radius of fifty miles.

Mr. Wood thus amassed a neat little fortune and upon his death in 1921 his son, Frank Sidney Wood, inherited the business and still conducts it.

## SHELBURNE FALLS COOPERATIVE CREAMERY

On August 17, 1885, a meeting was held in Ashfield by those interested in the establishment of a cooperative creamery. Ashfield and Buckland were largely represented while Charlemont and Colrain sent delegates. In the resulting organization, Zophar Woodward was chosen president. It was decided that Shelburne Falls was the most feasible location. Therefore about a half mile north of the village on the Buckland side of the Deerfield, a large, well lighted structure was put up. The machinery was of the latest and most approved type. A man able in his line of work was hired to run the creamery. Cream was gathered twice a week from all the surrounding towns and brought hither where it was converted into butter and shipped to the Boston market. For many years this was a flourishing business. About 1904 the last butter was made, the project given up and the building has since been converted into a dwelling.

## SILHOUETTES

In the early days not far from 1825 probably, there was living at the four corners, one Ezra Wood. This man had developed a good degree of skill in cutting silhouettes and made many for the people hereabouts.

## DAGUERREOTYPES

In 1867, Albert M. Ward opened here a daguerreotype gallery over Phillip's store. After some time here he went to Fall River, Mass., where he established himself in the business of photography.

## BRAIDING PALM LEAF

Until about fifty years ago, throughout the length and breadth of the town women and children braided palm leaf to aid in the support of the large families. In many cases it was customary for each child to have a "stint" that must be finished before he or she could do any other work or engage in play. Boys and girls alike braided.

The late Josiah Ward carried palm leaf to his customers and collected finished hats. After paying for the leaf used, a person



received from six to twelve cents a hat according to the size, and the fineness of the material used. Boys' hats that were smaller and made of a coarser leaf, took much less time and a skillful worker could make six of these in a day, while only four of the finer material was considered a good day's product.

A very thrifty, hard working woman in Buckland often made the remark that she "braided the mortgage off of two farms." It is safe to assume that not much time was left for card playing, or any other pleasure of the modern woman.

#### WHIP-SNAPS

For a number of years, to take the place of the money formerly earned by braiding hats, women made whip-snaps. Edward Elmer carried on this business, supplying women with machines and thread therefor.

The average price for snap making was twenty-five cents a gross. To make a perfect whip-snap was quite an art so not much of this work devolved upon the children.

#### BLACKSMITH'S SHOPS

On October 14, 1872, it was reported that the old blacksmith shop which had stood at the west end of Shelburne Falls bridge, "which has for years and years withstood the storms of the Heavens, the curses of men, and the rush of floods" was being razed for the widening of the street. A good river wall is being put in between the northeast corner of the shop foundation and the west bridge abutment. This shop was for years occupied by George Innis.

At an early date Amos Wood had a blacksmith shop in East Buckland near the Rachel Chapin place. All that is now left to corroborate this is the occasional finding of pieces of scrap-iron, turned up in tilling the soil.

Joseph Bailey built a small blacksmith shop where he conducted business for some years, at the left of the state road as one climbs the church hill to Buckland center.

At the center Henry Southwick had a smithy which he bought of Russell Bradford. Robert Woodard, the artist, now has the shop for his studio.

In the north part of the town Barnabas Wells built the next house west from the residence of Morris Mitchell, the latter on the first post-office site. The Mitchell place was early owned by Enos Taylor. Between the two houses and near the highway Barnabas Wells set up his forge and anvil. Mrs. Electa Stratton recalls this, and also that, as a little child she used to watch the men shoeing oxen.

Two blacksmith shops stand idle on State Street. Henry Gleason built the shop just south of Wood's Sale Stable. The red shop just north of the White Mission was built by Arthur Mansfield. Names of other smiths that have worked in these shops are Bartlett and Butler, W. H. Daniels, Alfred Payant, Norman Canedy, M. Gerry, Eli Beshaw and Frank Trombly. John J. O'Connor conducted a shop from 1910 to 1930. He sold to L. C. Plumb of Jacksonville, Vt.

This list is acknowledged to be incomplete, but is all that has been found.



## CHAPTER

# 19

### INTERESTING INCIDENTS

*New England's glorious heritage  
Can yield no richer store  
Than this, our own Pocumtuck vale  
Of Antiquarian lore.*

### SPANISH-AMERICAN WAR

THE causes leading to the Spanish-American War came to an end when the battleship, *Maine*, one of the finest in the American navy, lying in fancied safety in Havana Harbor, was sunk as the result of an explosion on February 15, 1898. This cost the lives of two hundred seamen. Whatever the cause of this catastrophe, it precipitated war between the United States and Spain, over the conditions existing in Cuba, and on the eleventh of April 1898, President McKinley recommended to Congress, armed intervention in Cuban affairs. A call for troops went out and two responded from Buckland.

F. T. Ruddock was then a student at Boston University and on May 7, 1898, he enlisted at Boston in Co. B., First regiment, Heavy Artillery. He remained in service through the summer and when on furlough during the first week in October, expected to be mustered out in about a month.

Julius Pfersick enlisted at Boston, on June 6, 1898, in Co. A., Seventh regiment, U. S. Infantry, and was mustered out at Camp Bacon, at Walker, Minn., on February 20, 1899. On the 23rd of March following, he re-enlisted at Springfield for service in the Philippines, this time in Co. B., 19th U. S. Infantry. After much active field service, he was mustered out at Angel Island, Calif., on April 2, 1902. He had had prior military experience, having



enlisted at New Haven, Conn., on April 21, 1893, and was sent to North Dakota, being discharged at Fort Yates in that state on September 20, 1895.

Buckland was represented at the opening of the Panama Canal in August 1914, by Harry P. Shaw. In August 1913, he was sent by the United States Government to Panama, where he served for two years. During the latter part of this period he was assigned to the office of the Assistant Chief Engineer as Secretary to the Electrical and Mechanical Engineer.

#### JOSIAH KING

In the March 1932, number of *Antiques* is an interesting article by Miss Julia D. S. Snow of Greenfield, entitled "King Versus Ellsworth," which was written to prove that the painter of miniatures found in Buckland, Shelburne and the surrounding towns, was Josiah King, who at one time lived in Buckland, rather than one Ellsworth, an itinerant artist originally from Connecticut. Through the courtesy of Miss Snow her article is here reproduced practically as she wrote it.

Josiah King, the man without legs, who rode about the country in a dogcart, peddling cutlery, framing pictures and painting portraits:

Josiah Brown King, the twelfth and last of Esther Lamon and Erastus King's progeny, was born in the stone house near Hoosac Tunnel, in Florida, Mass., December 16, 1831. At the age of two from symptoms his daughter has recently described to me, Josiah must have been stricken with poliomyelitis. The resulting paralysis and muscular atrophy of his lower extremities, more noticeable in adult life, would convey the impression that he must have been born without legs, but he was normal until his second year. In boyhood he was able to swing his crippled body about on crutches, to play with his brothers and sisters, and perform such light tasks as his father required of him. But when the time eventually came for Josiah to leave home and be self supporting, locomotion with the aid of crutches proved too slow. Of necessity the young man conceived the idea of a dog team as affording a fleeter and less fatiguing mode of travel. Accordingly he made a four wheeled cart to which he harnessed a double span of Newfoundland dogs and trotted forth on his artistic career.

On one of his tours while vending cutlery and chromos, and humbly soliciting portrait commissions from the hill-

top residents of Shelburne, he pulled up his team in the side yard of Mary Dole's home. When Mary appeared on the threshold at the vociferous summons of his dogs, Josiah who was not without an eye for feminine chic and charm, fell victim to the damsel's demure enchantment. "They were married September 22, 1853. The wife did not long survive and later her sister Sarah became the second wife of Josiah King." Believing that the second union was never to be blessed with off-spring, Josiah and Sarah adopted a little English girl, "Elizabeth Ann Dawson," and a few years later one of orphaned French twins. However in the course of time their charity was rewarded with two children of their own—Herman, who has in a measure inherited his father's artistic mantle, and a daughter Julia who has lived to help perpetuate the paternal memory in anecdote and pictures.

With the family to support and the uncertainties of his itinerant profession presenting financial complications, Josiah thenceforth stifled his artistic proclivities and devoted himself to a lucrative means of livelihood. Since neither of King's children knew that their father had ever painted miniatures his efforts in that direction must have been confined approximately to the period between 1849 and 1863 when his second marriage frustrated his artistic ambitions.

He served as an overseer in the state prison at Windsor, Vermont, from 1864 to 1869, but apparently finding the nature of his duties there exceedingly distasteful to his gentler nature, he returned to Buckland, commuting at first in his dogcart and later by team to the adjoining town of Shelburne Falls where he engaged himself in the employ of the cutlery firm of Lamson and Goodnow. He worked for this company until the time of his death in 1889, at the age of fifty-eight years.

When one recalls the misfortune that befell Josiah very early in life, one may perhaps be forgiven for surmising that the crippled artist represented his own deformity in the figures of those he painted—misshaped, atrophied bodies whose lower extremities are obliterated in the shadowy folds of garments. This feature alone would suffice to individualize his miniatures. So delicate and minute was his attention to details as to almost suggest photography. King's work was done on "Ivory Paper," a specially treated paper invented about 1830 designed as a less expensive substitute for ivory in miniature work.

Miss Snow further contrasts the work of King and James Sanford Ellsworth showing the characteristics each used in color



and form and so plainly has she made manifest the difference in the type of work produced that the present owners of miniatures should be able to correctly place the artist in one of these two men.

In connection with this article are pictures made from originals loaned by the daughter, Mrs. Julia Carpenter. These are most interesting and show pictures of King and his wife, Mary King, seated in his cart, and the dog-team. There is also a facsimile of his business card whereon he advertised himself as a manufacturer and dealer in picture-frames, steel engravings, chromos, photographs, crayons, etc., etc.; also door plates of many and beautiful designs.

#### DAVID GLASGOW

David Glasgow, a unique character living in Buckland, was often seen on the highways with his old red tin-cart drawn by one horse. A native of Scotland, he came to Buckland in early manhood and gained a livelihood by travelling from house to house, peddling tin and glass ware.

Every child loved to see the kindly old man with white hair and beard, stop his cart and climb down from the high seat. This thorough-brace cart, made after the lines of the old stage-coaches with oval body painted red, and having doors of varied sizes opening on the sides, was intensely interesting to curious children who always flocked around to "get a peek" at the bright shiny tin articles of all shapes and sizes which hung thickly inside the cart. There were a number of smaller doors which, when opened, disclosed sets of glass dishes—compotes, butter dishes, cream pitchers, sauce dishes and so forth.

With an old steelyard, Glasgow weighed the rags, rubber, lead and general assortment of junk, then paid for it all with tin and glass articles, and who wasn't glad to exchange a bag of rags for a nice, new tin dipper?

On the back of the cart were two huge burlap sacks hooked to the top of the wagon and left open to receive the contents of the rag bags which had been saved for weeks or months until the day when David Glasgow would come to gather them. The old tin-cart together with the old fashioned steelyards has gone, but the memory of the simple, kindly ways of this old gentleman will linger long in the memories of those who were young-



sters between the years of 1860 and 1900, when he was an habitual caller at every door not only in the village but also at the most isolated farms.

#### ELDER ENOS SMITH

On the day before the well known "Dark Day" of May 19, 1780—i. e. on May 18, 1780—Elder Enos Smith, a worthy man and Baptist preacher of some thirty years, married a young and beautiful wife several years younger than himself, moved into Buckland and began housekeeping, he being the first minister that ever *lived* in Buckland and if I remember correctly, lived and died there.

#### CROSSING THE DEERFIELD

In going to church at Charlemont in the early history of Buckland, when the water in the Deerfield River was high, the Buckland people crossed in a rude canoe, while a bridge of ice served them in winter. In ordinary summer weather the stream was waded.

#### SPAULDING DEED

An interesting deed from Joseph Spaulding to his son Josiah Spaulding, the latter for many years the leading minister and an influential citizen well known as "Priest Spaulding," was reported in 1904, as having the only consideration named, "Love and affection." This deed was dated October 10, 1778 and was acknowledged before John Pierce, Justice of the Peace.

#### INDIAN CUSTOM

"It was said by the early settlers here that when Candlemas day was fair and bright, the Indian women here would cry and moan, for it would portend another hard winter when it would be difficult for them to get into the woods for the material for their basket making. But if it chanced to be snowy or rainy, then they knew that the winter was gone, not to come again, making them glad and happy." Evidently another version of the present day "Ground Hog" tradition.

## BENJAMIN CLARK'S LETTER

Boston, May 4, 1804.

Samuel Taylor, Esq.  
Buckland, Mass.

Sir;

I wrote you the 13th of last March, to which I have not received an answer. Last month all the heirs of my late father Benjamin Clark, to the number of twenty, conveyed to me all their right, title and interest in the lands in Buckland and Heath. This was done that I might give a deed of it, &c.

Your humble servant,  
Benjamin Clark.

## THE LAST INDIANS

About the year 1808 a family of Indians by the name of Kendrick, five in number, came to Buckland and camped nearly upon the spot where the late H. F. Taylor's grist mill stood, claiming the right to do so by reason of some prior grant or contract that had been made years before (by whom or under what circumstances the writer has not been informed). They claimed the right to a strip of land two rods wide on each side of Clesson's River from its mouth to its source, for the purpose of fishing and trapping. There have been found relics of the red men along the banks of this stream.

It was believed by the older inhabitants that the Indians passed through the west part of Buckland in going to and from Zoar, coming down Ashfield mountain to Buckland Four Corners, then following up Clesson's River to the Upper City and from there taking the stream known as Ruddock's Brook, leaving this at its source.

## CHARLEMONT PUBLIC LAND LEASE

On April 21, 1791, the town of Charlemont leased out the Public Land of Charlemont lying in Buckland, it being a tract of 135 acres, and bounded on the south by land of Ware, east of Coleman and Allis, north of Taylor and Bacon and west of Johnson's. The lease is for nine hundred and ninety-nine years next ensuing, and the price was fifty-four pounds.

## AN OLD CUSTOM

Mrs. M. A. Forbes told this happening in the church history of some seventy-five years ago. It shows the form of a request that was in common usage at that time in the Congregational church. After the death of a member of the family, a request was handed to the minister the next Sunday, by some member of the bereaved family, to be read before the morning prayer, in this form: "Mr. and Mrs. Zephaniah Richmond request the prayers of the church and congregation that the recent death of her mother may be sanctified to them for their spiritual and everlasting good. Mr. and Mrs. Enoch Shaw join in this request." (Mrs. Shaw being sister of Mrs. Richmond.) Then the parties named would arise in their pews, after which the whole congregation arose, and all remained standing through the long morning prayer.

## MRS. WHITE'S BAPTISMAL ROBE

June 14, 1880. The Pocumtuck Valley Memorial Association have received from Mrs. Mary E. Atkins of Buckland, part of a baptismal robe made of "Liberty chintz" about 1776 and brought to Buckland by Mrs. Alice, wife of Captain Zebulon White, from Taunton about 1790. With it is a neck handkerchief from the same, made of hand spun "linen lawn." Mr. White, the grandfather of Mrs. Atkins, was one of the early settlers of Buckland and the cart that carried his goods to the place where Mrs. Atkins now lives, is said to have made the first wheel track in that part of the town.

## SHAKER

Nelson Drake long ago heard it said that, at one time, the Shakers held meetings at Hog Hollow.

## WHEAT AND SILK BOUNTIES

For the year 1839 the amount of bounties paid in Buckland for wheat amounted to \$27.85. There were eleven claimants and 256 bushels were raised.

From returns made by the Secretary of State on silk in 1836, there was paid to Zenas Graham, \$5.60 and to Enos Taylor, \$4.63.



## PETITION OF THE BUCKLAND WOMEN

From the Greenfield Gazette and Courier of January 23, 1838:

Among the petitions in the House of Representatives on Wednesday last for abolition of the slave trade in the District of Columbia, was one of Louisa Griswold and one hundred and two women of Buckland, which petition under the resolutions heretofore adopted, lies on the table.

## A TRADITION

From the Greenfield Gazette and Courier of April 2, 1877:

At the base of Hog Mountain on the south-east side, two men from Spencer had a shop standing on the bank of Cleson's River. A sheriff from Spencer arrived in the neighborhood just at night, and these men learning of it, gathered all the money they had made and running out to where a tree had blown over, placed it in a hole in the ground made by the tree roots. They then chopped the tree off and the stump tipped back and covered it so that it could not be found and never has been. The sheriff took the men back to Spencer where they had their trial and if memory serves me correctly, were imprisoned during which term one of them died.

(Signed) NO-TOWN

## WALL BUILT

During the fall of 1872 and spring of 1873 the retaining wall close by the west end of the bridge over the Deerfield at Lower Buckland was built to the bulkhead wall. The work had to be stopped in the late fall due to the early cold weather.

## DAN FOSTER'S REMINISCENCES

DID YOU KNOW? That in 1838 the farmers at Shelburne Falls, on the Buckland side of the river, were Horace Benton and son Horatio, John Sprague and son James, Old Mr. Dan Townsley, Oliver Coleman and son Alexis, Lieutenant Allis and sons Rodolphus and Roswell, Samuel Allis, son of Lieutenant John, and Benjamin Kemp. Horatio Benton did the freighting between the Falls and Boston with a six horse team; made about two trips a month.

## CENSUS

In July 1875, there were one hundred and seventy-two houses and two hundred and sixty families on the Buckland side at Shelburne Falls.

## WILD HONEY

In September 1880, Joshua T. Davis and son found a swarm of wild bees on land of S. T. Field near the Buckland railroad station and obtained one hundred and fourteen pounds of honey.

## ANNEXATION

From time to time there has been agitation concerning the annexation of Lower Buckland to the town of Shelburne. In November 1873, there appeared the following article in the public prints, signed Wiggins:

A movement is on foot at Shelburne Falls to consolidate the towns of Buckland and Shelburne, a movement which in our opinion is a wise one if properly carried out, with some amendments; and we would suggest that all those people whose location naturally leads them to transact their business at Shelburne Falls, unite their endeavors to make that the business and political center of the new town; while all those people residing in Shelburne, whose business is better accommodated with Greenfield as a center, petition to be annexed to Greenfield, the line naturally following the height of land in the rear of Isaac T. Fisk's east, and Dragon Hills, to near Bardwell's Ferry, and including the much fought over territory of Pett's Plain and Cheapside. [Note. This was before the annexation of the latter territory to Greenfield from Deerfield.] These it seems to us are natural boundaries which will better accommodate the people and bring those whose business relations are the same in closer political relations.

## BIG OXEN

In September 1894, Mr. J. D. Avery had a pair of Holstein oxen, half brothers, varying but ten pounds in weight and weighing 5400 pounds. They were valued at \$10,000, and were exhibited at many fairs.

## BUCKLAND MANUFACTURING

On July 14, 1900, Buckland was reported as one of the five Franklin County towns having more persons engaged in manufacturing than in agriculture.

## AN EXPERT WEAVER

"Aunt Lydia," wife of Enos Ware, who died September 28, 1896 at the age of seventy-eight years, was a great weaver on the old fashioned loom. When young she wove many hundred yards of linen and flannel. Beside, she is estimated to have woven five thousand yards of rag carpet. That would require her to throw her shuttle six times to every inch of a distance of five feet to a throw, making a distance of thirty feet for an inch, 1800 feet for a yard and 5,400,000 feet for the 5,000 yards, or over a thousand miles for that old shuttle to travel. Aunt Lydia's loom was presented to the Buckland Library.

## TOWN SEAL

In 1900 the town voted to accept the town seal as procured by the selectmen. Upon this seal is a representation of a buck's head.

## RAILROAD STATION

In February 1905, the electric lights were ordered to be installed at the Shelburne Falls railroad station, which is within the town limits of Buckland.

## MOTOR VEHICLE RESTRICTIONS

Published in the Shelburne Falls *Messenger*, August 26, 1908:

Motor vehicles of all kinds are hereby forbidden on the old Ashfield road, so-called, from the farm of the late J. W. Whiting to the Ashfield town line. Also the road from the farm of A. C. Hawks in Buckland Center, so-called, extending on the westerly side of Walnut Hill to the Charlemont town line. Also the road from the Buckland town farm in a westerly and southerly direction to the school house in Buckland Upper City, so-called. Also the road from the residence of E. J. Griswold in Buckland, extending in a westerly direction to Buckland Upper City, so-called. Also the road from a



point on the state highway known as the Hiram Woodward farm extending in a southerly direction to the school house in the East District, thence in a north westerly direction to the saw and grist mill of Charles E. Ward. The following notice is published in accordance with Chapter 366, acts of 1905. William S. Williams, Cyrus O. Temple, Edmund G. Wilder, Selectmen of Buckland.

At this time when improved roads were very few, the above action was usual for the protection of the driver of automobiles, and applied to all towns.

#### ANTIQUE WEIGHTS

April 5, 1913, W. D. Forbes, sealer of weights and measures for Buckland, brought to light a set of antique weights, which were found at the farm of Luther Purinton in Buckland, which are probably the first ever used in town, made in England about one hundred years ago. They range from one ounce to four pounds, seven in all. They are cast from gun metal, presumably old cannon, as was the English custom. Each weight bears the crest of the crown, together with the initials "W. R." and "C. M.," which probably stand for William Rex, then King of England, and Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Unfortunately the measures belonging to the set were not preserved. They were used by Samuel Bardwell, sealer of weights and measures many years ago, who lived on the Purinton farm.



## CHAPTER

# 20

### OLD HOUSES—BIOGRAPHY

*An old house is like the magic of an old violin;  
The music of the past is wrought into it.*

IN wandering over the fields and highways of Buckland, one fully realizes that the town has had a past. Here and there cellar holes, nearly obliterated, are found with nothing left to give evidence of the once happy home but an occasional lilac bush, or the old fashioned roses, too sturdy to yield to the ravages of time.

That we may know a little of the age and history of some of the older places, what information is available, is here jotted down.

#### THE CHARLES HUNT PLACE

So far as can be ascertained, the oldest house is the one now owned by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hunt, a large, commodious dwelling, built about 1770 on the land which Squire Taylor's father gave him about the time of his marriage. This old homestead passed to his son Samuel Taylor, Jr., who occupied it until 1858 when it was sold to Alpheus Brooks, and later became the property of Asahel Hawks, whose oldest daughter, May, now Mrs. Hunt, is occupying the place. (Authority, the late W. O. Taylor.)

#### THE TEMPLE COTTAGE

A few hundred rods north of Squire Taylor's house was a little stream known as Taylor Brook and the locality as Clock Hollow. Here Squire Taylor owned a little cottage which in January 1830, he had moved up to and directly across the road

from his own homestead. His unmarried daughter occupied this house. (Authority, the late W. O. Taylor.)

#### THE CHARLES TROW HOME

According to the late W. O. Taylor, the house where Samuel Taylor, Jr., first resided after his marriage was about five hundred yards southeast of his father's place. Here he conducted a country Inn. The route to the west through Buckland and Savoy was much used by travellers in those days affording a less steep if longer road over Hoosac Mountain than did the one through Charlemont. This house he occupied until about 1819 when he moved back to his father's. The house he left was probably built by himself or his father. He sold to Joseph Hubbard, and later it passed to Dr. Josiah Trow's ownership, and a grandson of the latter now owns it.

The original house was struck by lightning July 18, 1877, and as a result was burned. The present house stands on the same site as this earlier one.

#### THE OZRO FIELD HOUSE

One of the finest houses in Buckland was built in 1800, by Colonel John Ames, who at that time had a home at or near the place where the Mary Lyon house—now owned by Gilbert Griswold—stands. It is just south of the Congregational church and was built for Dr. Allen who was the first occupant. Other occupants have been Dr. Long, Captain Ebenezer Maynard, Reverends Preston Cummings, Asa B. Smith, and Charles Lord, Alvin Ruddock, Dr. Asa Ruddock, LeBaron Ruddock, and now Ozro Field.

#### THE GRISWOLD HOMESTEAD

This house was built in 1818 by Major Joseph Griswold, and has since been occupied by the Griswold family. It is one of the few brick houses here and it is said that the brick were made from clay which was excavated from the cellar and also that Mary Lyon helped lay some of them. It was in the hall of this house that at one time her school was located.



## THE EDMOND SMITH PLACE

This fine Colonial structure was built by Elisha Smith, a well known carpenter of his generation, in the year 1797. Edmond Smith bought the property of the late Amasa Ward.

## SCOTT PLACES

Two very old houses concerning which little definite data has been found, are those now occupied by Mrs. Luna Scott and the one on High Street, now the home of Linwood Scott. Mrs. Luna Scott's place, according to the statement of Mr. Edmond Smith, speaking from personal recollections of nearly one hundred years ago, is over one hundred and fifty years old.

## NEWTON GRISWOLD PLACE

Newton Griswold built probably not far from 1840, he being a carpenter by trade, and occupied the house opposite the mill owned in 1885 by Horace Elmer. It is now owned by Kenneth Martin.

## THE WOOD PLACE AT FOUR CORNERS

There is a bit of history connected with an old gambrel roofed house standing at the "Buckland Four Corners." This place was owned by the late Lyman Wood, father of the late Theodore Wood who was in business at Shelburne Falls until his death some years ago. The house has been in possession of the Wood family for more than eighty years, and parents, children, and grandchildren have met there Labor Days for reunions and picnics. It is now owned by Mrs. Lena Townsley Merriam (since deceased) a granddaughter of Lyman Wood. In one part of the house there is a sleeping room where a double bed can be so arranged that one occupant can sleep in Ashfield and the other in Buckland. The house stands exactly on the dividing line of the two towns. (Greenfield Gazette and Courier File, March 25, 1916.)

FROM THE FILE OF THE GREENFIELD GAZETTE  
AND COURIER OF JANUARY 18, 1886

William R. Dunbar, who has lived in the old, low, brown house a little south of the Buckland depot, has built himself,

this last fall, a new home and partly demolished the old one, which has long been known as one of the oldest in town, and about its true age there have been many conjectures. In taking down the old chimney, Mr. Dunbar found in back of the fire-place, an oak stick about two feet long and two by three inches square, with these marks plainly cut in with a knife: "M. L., 1776; E. T., 1821." The house, it is well known was first built on what is known as the Lewis Taylor place, a mile or so south of Buckland center, and was removed to its last location by Erastus Taylor in 1821, where it has stood for sixty-four years. The letters, "E. T.," on the stick were doubtless his initials, and the 1821 the date of the rebuilding of the house. The date 1776 is probably the time of the first building.

#### JULIAN GODDARD HOME

Well over one hundred years ago Deacon John Porter built the house now owned by Mr. and Mrs. Julian Goddard. The ell part of the building is the oldest portion, it being the old house which was originally located a short distance from the present site. A tradition centers about the old stairway leading from the shed up into the barn. It is to the effect that Deacon Porter thoughtfully had these stairs built so that his wife, when she went to milk the cows, need not be obliged to go out of doors. For many years the house was known as the "Deacon Porter Place."

Across the road from this place is the location of another old house where Nathan Bachelor lived. He it was who brought up Deacon John Porter, the latter having been left an orphan.

#### THE ROBERT STETSON PLACE

The house now owned by Robert Stetson in the north part of the town was built by Silas Trowbridge in 1829. The bricks used in its construction were made at East Charlemont, and the cost of the building was just one thousand dollars. In 1850 the cooper's shop or present red cottage was built, Asa Davis being the carpenter. Silas Trowbridge bought the old house and old cooper's shop of his brother Rufus, and came here with his bride in 1821.

## PINE BROOK FARM

The Pine Brook farm occupied by H. B. Wells until his death is now the home of his oldest daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Haeberle. This house was built about 1809, by "Uncle Dick Williams" the brick work being done by Edwin Johnson. He worked one hundred days, at one dollar a day, putting up double brick walls and four fireplaces.

## THOMPSON AND PATCH PLACES

The Dr. Thompson place now owned by F. T. Rand was built about 1790, and the Patch place just beyond a few years earlier. The former place was the home of Mary Field Atkins, to whom we are indebted for many poems in the local papers written in the 1870's and 1880's. Her *nom de plume* was "Q in the Corner."

## THE "LIGHTNING SPLITTER"

This unusual type of a house in the north district has attracted much attention and comment. It was built by Arvid Crittenden. He was a very tall man and said he wanted one room high enough so he could not touch his head on the ceiling, and one room in the center of this house is very high. A stranger once took Mr. Crittenden in to ride and as they passed the "Lightning Splitter" said, "I wonder what fool built that house?" To which Mr. Crittenden replied, "I did."

## BELLOWS PLACE

The Ed. Bellows place in the east part of the town was built in 1807 by Captain Othniel Johnson, son of Josiah, the earliest settler in that section. Just west of this house on the hilltop is one of the most beautiful spots in Buckland, and here is seen today the cellar where Josiah Johnson built his home. A beautiful white birch tree is now growing in this old cellar hole. Originally the old county road came over the hill from the north part of the town past this residence.

## HOME OF HARRISON KEACH

A very old, interesting house many times used as the subject for Robert Strong Woodward's canvases, is located about one



half mile from the Charles Wilder place on the road toward Charlemont. In an effort to determine if possible the date of the building of the house the deeds office in Greenfield was visited and the following information as to ownership obtained:

Richard Dana sold the place October 21, 1793, to Elias Carter who sold December 9, 1796 to Luke Carter. The next owner, Elias Upton, Jr., sold March 28, 1814 to Reuben Ames and he in turn on April 14, 1832 to Jesse Pratt. The latter's son Emmons Pratt bought December 17, 1844 and sold to Alfred Perkins, April 7, 1853. Edward Dwight Perkins' estate sold to Clara R. Townsley (wife of George), and she transferred it December 11, 1889 to the Keach family, Ellsworth, Charles E., and Harrison William Keach being successive owners.

#### THE LINWOOD ELMER RESIDENCE

We are told that in the fall of 1820, Nuel Townsley took his bride, Submit Putnam, after their marriage at "Parson" Spaulding's, immediately to their new home, at which time the plaster on the walls was scarcely dry. In recent years this old place has been the home of Linwood Elmer. In 1820 "Parson" Spaulding lived where is now the home of Mrs. Pearl Elmer.

#### THE OTIS FIELD HOME

On the south side of the Deerfield, Lemuel Taylor owned a tract of land directly opposite the home of his father, Othniel Taylor in East Charlemont. He deeded some of this land to Elijah Lamb of Greenfield, March 21, 1788. According to Mrs. Electa Stratton, Elijah Lamb built a house on this land while it was in his possession. He sold to Rufus Trowbridge, August 3, 1800. This was the Trowbridge home until the place was sold to Elijah Field about 1869, and it has since remained in the Field family.

#### THE BURDICK FARM

Lemuel Taylor sold ninety acres of his land to Dan Townsley October 22, 1796. On December 22, 1813 Heman Farnum bought this property and lived on it for twenty years, then deeded the same to William Farnum. Asa Kendrick made this site his home in 1868, his son Frank succeeding him in ownership. Mrs. Eunice

Burdick came into possession of the farm in 1909 and it is still in the Burdick family.

At Shelburne Falls, Buckland side, the first house built in 1774 by Nathaniel and Gershom Coleman, still stands, on the corner of Clement and Sears Streets. It has been remodeled since built.

The house occupied by A. K. Page, and a house on the cutlery road are the next in age to the Coleman place.

### BIOGRAPHY

Men of sterling worth and ability have given of their time and strength to make their home town of Buckland a good place in which to live. But a very few are listed here. For many others, possibly just as deserving, there was not space. It is with a deep feeling of regret that the list is made so incomplete. Under Physicians, Drs. Josiah and Nathaniel Trow are given.

### ROBERT STRONG WOODWARD

The town is proud to list among its famous sons, one who has done much to carry the beauties and traditions of Buckland into many of the great centers of the country. Robert Strong Woodward, now recognized as in the front rank of living landscape painters of America, was born in Northampton, May 11, 1885. A grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Woodward of this town, much of his boyhood was spent here with his grandparents and other relatives. He lived in California during several years of his early manhood, but returned East about 1910, and after a few years in Boston settled permanently in Buckland. Here among the hills and scenes he had always loved he painted his first canvas, starting a career that has brought him such coveted awards as the First Hallgarten Prize, National Academy of Design, in 1919; honorable mention, Concord Art Association, in 1920; First Landscape Prize, Springfield Art League, 1927; Gold Medal of Honor, Tercentenary Exhibition, Boston, 1930; special honor medal, 1932; Second Prize, Boston Art Club, 1932.

His paintings are hung in some of the finest homes of the country, in nearly every state from Massachusetts to California, and to mention a few, in such public collections as the Springfield Art Museum; Forbes Library, Northampton; Public Library,

Stockbridge; Syracuse Museum of Fine Arts; Art Gallery, Canajoharie, N. Y.; Massachusetts State College; Mount Holyoke College.

Thus through the painting of Buckland hills and streams, roads and farm-houses, the beauty of our locality has been carried far,—and because of widespread interest in the paintings and the artist, many distinguished visitors from the world of art, letters and music have been drawn to Mr. Woodward's door, and so to Buckland! These visitors have included such people as our distinguished neighbor from the Connecticut Valley, Mrs. Coolidge, and our New England poet-laureate, Robert Frost. A few years ago Mr. Frost purchased one of Mr. Woodward's paintings entitled "Dignity of Winter." In noting this fact, one writer feels that "the artist in color has more than a superficial kinship with the artist in words, in the sensitive insight and understanding of our region which they both depict. . . . Nowhere until now have we found just New England between the covers of a book, or on canvas there upon the wall, like a window opening out upon a well-loved landscape. In the paintings of Mr. Woodward and the poems of Mr. Frost all these things are ours to keep.

Mr. Woodward's home and studio are located in Buckland Center at the old George Taylor place, which he purchased and renovated two years ago after his home in the north section of town was destroyed by fire. Written by Florence Haeberle.

#### JOHN F. "CHICK" MEEHAN

John F. "Chick" Meehan, one of the best-known collegiate football coaches, was born in Buckland on September 5, 1893, the son of Mrs. Annie (Scully) Meehan and the late Frank Meehan. He gained his nickname as the smallest boy in his class at Buckland Grammar school when he started deciphering the First Reader's "Chick-a-Little Henny-Penny" verses. He first displayed his football prowess at Arms Academy and after attending there two years, transferred to Dean Academy at Franklin.

Attending Syracuse University, Meehan became known as one of the best quarterbacks ever to perform for that school. He was a student there when the World War broke out. He



enlisted in the United States Navy, and was sent to London by the Intelligence department. After the war, he completed his course at Syracuse, after which he had a trial as a baseball player with the Boston Braves. His chief interest was football, however, and after a brief service as assistant football coach at Syracuse, became head coach there, becoming the youngest man to coach a college eleven. He turned out some of the best teams ever to represent Syracuse. Meehan left Syracuse in 1925 to coach football at New York University and his work in providing the big city school with one of the strongest gridiron teams in the country made one of the most colorful chapters in college football history. Meehan won the sobriquet of the "Ziegfield of Football," with his flair for showmanship reflected in military shifts, cannon to register every score, snappy uniforms and the like.

In 1931 Meehan left N. Y. U. to become athletic director at Manhattan College and has gradually lifted that school to prominence in the football world. "Watch Manhattan in 1940," is the way sportswriters predict great things for his coaching system.

In addition to his coaching, Meehan is head of a contracting firm in New York City. Written by Edward Joyce.

#### HONORABLE JOHN PORTER

John Porter, orphaned at an early age, was reared by Nathan Bachelor at the Bachelor home, the house that used to stand on the opposite side of the road from Julian Goddard. In both political and religious life his influence was strongly manifest. By his life-long friend, Governor Briggs, it was said of him, "He was a strong old Puritan, perfectly Cromwellian in his ideas and was proof against corruption."

Deacon Porter taught many years in the north, south and west parts of the town. He it was who taught Mary Lyon and procured for her, her first teaching position. As a public official he served as town clerk, assessor, selectman, school committee, Justice of the Peace, Postmaster, representative and member of the Governor's Council. John Porter was one of the truly great men of his generation.

## DANIEL FORBES

While Daniel Forbes was a resident of Ashfield the greater part of his time was spent teaching in Buckland, being thus employed for ninety-nine terms, usually in select schools. He was a gifted teacher and a great student of nature, often writing poems on the "out-of-doors." An excellent penman, he held writing schools in different sections of the town.

In his centennial address, Mr. Griswold wrote: "I have seen Miss Mary Lyon sit behind one of the work benches in my father's shop and write and study under Mr. Forbes' instruction. She also wrote that fine old fashioned, round hand acquired through his copy. O, I revere the memory of Mr. Forbes and Mr. Porter. They did more to lift the young men from ignorance to information than any others I ever knew." The latter years of his life were spent with his son in Buckland, where he was devoutly interested in the church.

## FREDERICK AND FAYETTE FORBES

Frederick Forbes lived the greater part of his life on the last farm on the left of the highway before climbing the hill to Buckland Center. He was considered one of the town's most honored and reliable citizens. Besides serving as selectman, moderator and school committee, he was often called upon to appraise and administer estates.

His oldest son, Fayette F. Forbes, won fame for himself at Brookline where he was superintendent and engineer of the Brookline Water Works from 1875 until his death in 1936. Mr. Forbes' record was unsurpassed in the history of water works in America or abroad. He was widely known in botanical circles and had made an extensive collection of New England plants, which herbarium was given to Harvard College.

A younger son, Warren Forbes, spent his entire life in Buckland and was also quite an authority on botanical subjects.

## WILLIAM F. SHERWIN

William F. Sherwin was born March 14, 1826, at "Clock Hollow," Buckland Center; died April 14, 1888, and was buried in the Ashfield Plain Cemetery. As a composer of church and Sun-

day school music he gained fame. Mr. Sherwin was a professor in the Cincinnati, O., and Boston, Mass., Conservatories of Music and chorus leader at the Chautauqua. He gave a large folio of music to the Congregational church at the center. Two of his compositions, "Break Thou the Bread of Life" and "Day is Dying in the West," are sung the world around.

#### ROYAL L. PACKARD

Royal L. Packard, a native of Cummington, was born August 1, 1804. He was a most estimable man, well-versed in town and business matters. At the time of his death (at the age of eighty-eight years), he was town clerk and treasurer, offices which he had held for sixteen years. Beside these he had frequently served in other positions of honor and trust.

#### REUBEN W. FIELD

Reuben W. Field, born August 14, 1820, a native son, was educated in the district schools and at Arms Academy, Shelburne Falls. Early manhood was spent in Lanesboro where he filled positions of public trust. After returning to Buckland he served for years on the school committee, was manager of the Shelburne Falls Creamery, an officer in the Deerfield Valley Agricultural Society, the Secretary and leading spirit of the annual Old Folks gathering at Charlemont, and was frequently called upon to settle estates.

#### IRA ARMS

Ira Arms, for many years a resident of Buckland, was a native of Greenfield. His home here was in an old house that stood where is now the home of Walter Legate at the corner of State and Williams streets. He regularly attended the Congregational church at Buckland center until the Congregational church at Shelburne Falls was built. He was distinguished for his benevolence in both public and private causes, and it was his wish, as often stated, that his donations should benefit both sides of the river at the Falls. Because of his aid, Arms Academy bears his name. He was frequently a member of the state legislature.



## JOSIAH WORCESTER GRISWOLD

Josiah Worcester Griswold was born, spent his eighty years of life and died at the old Griswold homestead in Buckland center. For a score or more years he served as selectman, was town clerk, chairman of the school committee and Justice of the Peace. During the Civil War he showed marked sagacity in his official positions. In 1853 he was delegate to the convention for the revision of the state constitution, and served in the legislature the following year. In him the Methodist church, of which he was one of the founders, found staunch support.

## CAPTAIN JOSIAH ANDREWS RICHMOND

Captain Josiah Andrews Richmond was born in Ashfield but came to Buckland with his parents, at an early age. For many years he conducted the sash and blind factory on State Street. He was a "forty-niner," sailing around the Horn and thereafter spent several months in the California gold fields. A ready writer and fluent speaker, he lectured often on his California experiences. He was chosen Captain of Co. E, 52nd regiment, Massachusetts Volunteers in 1862. At the Centennial celebration of Buckland he was an active worker and gave the address of welcome.

## WILLIAM S. WILLIAMS

William S. Williams, born in Ashfield, came to Buckland in early manhood and by hard work, thrift and good judgment, built up a model farm. He was a friendly, helpful man, a good neighbor, and an honored citizen, who served the town for twenty-five years as an assessor, and for sixteen, as selectman.

## JOSEPH WIGHT WHITING

The greater part of the life of Joseph Wight Whiting was spent here, the place of his birth. He was son of Welcome and Susan (Wight) Whiting, born on February 4, 1827, and died March 13, 1907. In 1852 he went by the Overland route to California, remaining three years. In 1862 he enlisted as a nine months man in the 52nd regiment, Mass. Volunteers, serving as Sergeant in Co. E. Mr. Whiting was a man of sound business judgment and was prominent in civic affairs, holding various offices

from time to time. He was a member of the Ozro Miller Post, G.A.R., and a director of the Shelburne Falls National Bank.

#### GEORGE DENNISON CRITTENDEN

George D. Crittenden, son of Simeon and Esther (Lathrop) Crittenden, born in Hawley, August 30, 1827, died in Shelburne Falls, May 20, 1917. For over sixty years he carried on a most successful business, lumbering, in the forest sections of New York, Vermont, New Hampshire and Buckland, and while here lived on the Buckland side at the Falls, until 1902. In early life he took an active part in public affairs; member of the school committee fourteen years, moderator at the annual town meetings thirty years; served on the boards of selectmen and assessors; representative in 1867; in 1868 elected County Commissioner and served six years. By successive appointments held the office of Justice of the Peace for forty years; trustee of Arms Academy twenty one years, and was one of the original trustees of the Shelburne Falls Savings Bank. He was the second oldest member of the Congregational church at the time of his demise, having joined in 1858. Greatly interested in history his love for reminiscence made him much sought after on questions of historical import and as a speaker for occasions of that nature. Of genial nature, quick at repartee, he was known as a grand old man.

#### JAMES D. AVERY

James D. Avery was son of David and Prudence (Dean) Avery, born in Charlemont where he secured his early education and then attended the Westfield Normal School. For fifty years he made his home in Buckland, carrying on most successfully a large farm and became especially well known as a breeder of fancy stock. His big oxen were famous, exhibits for many years at the New England County Fairs. In company with D. W. Long of Shelburne he was for over twenty years extensively interested in the lumber business. All his life he was prominent in town affairs, served as selectman and assessor; president of the Deerfield Valley Agricultural Society; County Commissioner where he became a popular and efficient official of notable good judgment. He was a man of many friends; one who formed his own opinions and in his passing the whole community suffered a distinct loss.



## CHAPTER

# 21

### PUBLIC UTILITIES

*The great inventions of Americans form the basis of national progress and present everyday comfort and convenience.*

#### THE TROY AND GREENFIELD RAILROAD

FOR a long time the nearest railroad to serve Shelburne Falls and the nearby towns, was at Greenfield. A growing need and demand for better transportation facilities caused the influential men of this section to petition the legislature for a charter which was granted in 1848 to the Troy and Greenfield Railroad Company to continue its line west from Greenfield through the Hoosac mountain. It was seven years before work was undertaken in earnest even between Greenfield and Shelburne Falls. In 1855 it was started with hopes of an early completion. The first contractor failed and for the succeeding three years it seemed doubtful whether the line would ever be completed. In 1859 one Haupt, who had "General" prefixed to his name, which was probably Heman Haupt, through vigorous and enthusiastic work, gained such headway that completion seemed certain.

In 1861 when the echo of the steam whistle could almost have been heard at Shelburne Falls, work was again suspended due to lack of funds brought on by the breaking out of the Civil War.

By authority of the legislature of 1866 and by approval of the governor and his council, the commissioners placed the contract for a road from Greenfield to the Hoosac mountain. The first half, which brought the railroad into Shelburne Falls,



was completed October 21, 1867, and the locomotive "New Orleans" puffed and screamed its way into the village. Filled with joy and excitement nearly two hundred of the inhabitants mounted the platform cars, rode to Greenfield where they spent the night and returned in like manner at six o'clock the next morning.

The following Tuesday, October twenty-ninth, was the day set apart for the celebration of the great event. It opened with a cold, north-east rain storm. But so great was the joy and enthusiasm that between two thousand and three thousand people assembled from the nearby towns. Honorable Alvah Crocker of Fitchburg was appointed president of the day and G. B. Hayes of Shelburne Falls, chief marshal. A large tent to accommodate between one thousand and twelve hundred was pitched in the lot east of the Academy, where dinner was served by H. A. Cole of the Shelburne Falls House.

At the freight depot a platform festooned with evergreens and displaying the American flag, had in the background the word "Welcome" conspicuously placed. About one o'clock the engine "Shelburne Falls," a powerful locomotive for those days, decked with flags and with a large spread eagle at its head, appeared with eleven cars filled with people. About two thousand were there to see the train pull in to the station. On this train were Governor Alexander H. Bullock and his Council, other officers of the state government and business men from towns all along the line between Boston and Greenfield.

A procession was formed and under the escort of the Shelburne Falls band and the Fire Companies of the village, marched to the tent. Owing to the rain, the speech of the Governor scheduled to be given at the station was deferred until later.

After being seated at the tables, Colonel Crocker, in behalf of the citizens of Shelburne Falls and Buckland and incidentally Franklin County, welcomed the guests to the celebration of the completion of the first section of the Troy and Greenfield railroad. Governor Bullock then gave his address. Others to speak were: Hon. Charles Adams Jr., Councillor from this district; and Hon. Whiting Griswold, a native of Buckland, but resident of Greenfield. About ten other interested men also spoke.

The celebration was considered a great success even though the weather was inauspicious.

As soon as it became known that a railroad was coming to

Shelburne Falls, Buckland had the greatest boom in its history. The English and German people had come to work in the cutlery, now the Irish came to find work in the construction of the railroad and later to enter its employment. In the year 1852 there were fifty houses built in Shelburne Falls, nearly all located on the Buckland side of the river, and hereafter this section of the town now so rapidly developing came to be known as "Lower Buckland," to distinguish it from the older village several miles distant. It also had a larger population. The first station building was burned and the present one built in 1910.

#### THE NEW YORK, NEW HAVEN AND HARTFORD RAILROAD.

The New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad early began a system of expansion, constructing many short or branch lines to smaller manufacturing towns. From Northampton there were three of these. One went to the west with Williamsburg as its terminal. From Northampton to the north and parallel with the old Connecticut River, now the Boston and Maine line, ran another to a point a short distance above South Deerfield station. Here the road-bed divided, one line continuing still farther north to the Deerfield River and then at Cheapside, turning east and later again north, thus entering Turners Falls.

From the point of division at South Deerfield, a third line went to the northwest up the Deerfield valley to Shelburne Falls running parallel to the Fitchburg division or the old Troy and Greenfield line a portion of the way and, with its terminus at the Shelburne Falls station on the Buckland side of the Deerfield. These lines were successfully operated for some time but reversals in business trends necessitating curtailment and the road having ceased to bring in desirable financial returns, the line was discontinued above Northampton about 1910.

#### NEW ENGLAND POWER COMPANY

The great task of harnessing the Deerfield River was undertaken in 1911 by the New England Power Company, and was the greatest financial development ever known in this section. With the installation of the hydro-electric plant, controlling of the Deerfield was begun just below Scott's bridge, where at the narrowest place on the river a dam was built. This con-

struction not only included the usual dam and power station but a channel seventeen hundred feet long, through the granite hill which at this point intercepts the river's eastward course. A head of sixty-five feet is developed at the outlet of the tunnel. This is known as Station Number Four.

The site of Number Three at the falls was the first place where power was developed in the Deerfield River. Originally the water rushed over a ledge of rocks and cascaded forty or fifty feet below, forming a beautiful, natural falls. In the latter part of the eighteenth century here was developed the first power, by David Fisk and Squire Barnard for saw and grist mill use. Since 1837 this power had been controlled by the Lamson and Goodnow Company, and about three hundred horse power generated. This company's control was succeeded by that of the New England Power, who through modern equipment, a concrete dam and adequate power houses, were able to increase the power developed from three hundred to eight thousand horse power.

The dam is so well constructed that hardly any water escapes and where once was a beautiful water fall, now is seen a mass of dry rocks, anything but attractive, unless possibly to a geologist.

The valuation of the New England Power Company here is \$1,052,000 and of the Western Massachusetts Company, \$537,800. This amount of taxable property is a great asset to the town of Buckland, relieving it of one half of its taxes.

#### THE WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS ELECTRIC COMPANY

In 1896 the Shelburne Falls Electric Light and Power Company was promoted by Ernest Halligan and one Wilcox. These two men with some of their friends, invested about \$45,000 in this company, which produced electricity with a gas engine. Eventually this proved insufficient to care for the increasing demand for service. As a result, the Shelburne Falls Electric Light and Power Company consolidated in 1910 with the Greenfield Electric Light and Power Company. That year Buckland voted to electrically light the streets. From its beginning this Shelburne Falls Company supplied both sides of the river with electric service.



The Gardner Falls power plant of the Greenfield company was built in 1903 and 1904, and is used to supply power to the towns of Shelburne, Buckland and Colrain for domestic, street lighting and industrial purposes. The plant is also drawn upon for power for Greenfield Company's home consumption. The plant is outside the limits of Shelburne Falls, within the township of Buckland. In recent years the name Greenfield Electric Light and Power Company has been superseded by that of the "Western Massachusetts Electric Company."

### THE GRAVITY WATER SYSTEM

Until 1911 the village of Shelburne Falls had been dependent upon privately owned springs for a water supply. Because of the need of a more adequate system, both there and at Lower Buckland, for both fire protection and modern plumbing, two business men—the late Herbert Newell and Frank Oakman—conceived the idea of installing a gravity system to supply the Shelburne Falls Fire District.

At a meeting of this body in 1911 it was voted to install such a system, taking the Fox Brook water-shed for its source of supply. The board of Water Commissioners then elected, organized with Herbert Newell, chairman and Frank Oakman, clerk. The District was bonded for a loan of \$75,000, which was to be entirely paid up in 1943. Two years later (1913), \$15,000 more was borrowed to complete the project. There was also a land purchase involving an expenditure of \$10,000.

By conference with E. E. Davis, civil engineer of Northampton, and E. B. Locke, civil engineer of North Adams, it was decided to construct a storage reservoir on the watershed, the same to hold five or more million gallons of water; to lay a ten inch main across the concrete bridge and to construct a service reservoir on West mountain, Buckland. All this was done and on February second 1912, water was supplied to those living on Main and Mechanic Streets, Shelburne Falls, who because of frozen systems were without water. The whole work under contract was accepted in October 1912.

The water-shed covers an area of six hundred and twenty acres. The reservoir has a capacity of twelve million eight hundred thousand gallons. This supplies the Fire District, both

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By conference with E. E. Davis, civil engineer of Northampton, and E. B. Locke, civil engineer of North Adams, it was decided to construct a storage reservoir on the watershed, the same to hold five or more million gallons of water; to lay a ten inch main across the concrete bridge and to construct a service reservoir on West mountain, Buckland. All this was done and on February second 1912, water was supplied to those living on Main and Mechanic Streets, Shelburne Falls, who because of frozen systems were without water. The whole work under contract was accepted in October 1912.

The water-shed covers an area of six hundred and twenty acres. The reservoir has a capacity of twelve million eight hundred thousand gallons. This supplies the Fire District, both



for domestic use and fire protection, also a few rentals outside the district and in Colrain.

To finance this system all property owners in the Fire District pay a poll tax and are assessed on property to cover the difference between rentals and the amount needed for maintainance. To date, the system has cost \$195,025. It is hoped that eventually it will be self supporting.

Samples of water are sent regularly to the State Board of Health for analysis. The purity of the water is found to be far above the average for the twenty-five gravity systems in this part of the state.

#### TELEPHONE COMPANY

The New England Telephone Company came into Buckland about 1883, then under the name of the Deerfield Valley Telephone Company. In March 1903, a meeting was held in the interest of securing the Heath Telephone Company, and it was there voted to raise \$2,000 in Buckland and Ashfield to enable the company to establish a line. This amount was secured by selling shares at thirty dollars each.

For some years both the New England and Heath companies were in business here, but eventually the former left town. In 1917 the Heath company moved the central office from the Shelburne to the Buckland side of the river and located it in the Newell Block where it has since remained. As a matter of convenience, the name was in 1928 changed from the Heath to the Western New England Telephone Company. By an assessment on each long distance call a subscriber has the benefit of the area covered by the New England Company.



## CHAPTER

# 22

### PUBLIC SERVICE

*Let it not be thought that we are working for ourselves  
alone, nor for those only who are now living.*

### BUCKLAND LIBRARY

IN the year 1889 the late LeBaron D. Ruddock of Buckland died, leaving a legacy for the nucleus of a church library fund. Reverend Alpheus C. Hodges, a man of vision, saw here an opportunity to stress the need for a public library building. He therefore offered to give one thousand dollars if the people in town would raise a like amount. A committee consisting of Messrs. E. C. Maynard and A. C. Hawks soon secured the required sum and the lot whereon the Methodist church stood was decided upon as the most central location for the new building. As the Methodist society was greatly depleted in numbers, and the church no longer used for services, the Methodist conference sold the property to the citizens for use as a public hall, and it was moved to the rear of the Congregational church. The ground thus cleared, was purchased of Josiah Griswold's estate for the site of the new library. The building committee was Sumner J. Ward, James D. Avery and Charles E. Ward. The committee on plans and specifications, Reverend Alpheus C. Hodges, secured the services of Gardner, Payne and Gardner, who prepared and submitted the same for approval.

The interior of the library is a single room twenty-five by thirty-six feet, finished in natural wood. In one end is the large fireplace, embellished with a memorial tablet. Book-cases line the walls and the center of the room is given over to reading tables.

The frame of the building is of slow burning mill construction type, walls of brick, roof of slate.

At the time of building, the library comprised two thousand volumes, many of which had been given by Mr. Hodges. E. C. Davis, civil engineer of Northampton, gave two hundred volumes as a memorial to his parents, whose lives were spent in Buckland. The books included forty volumes of Shakespeare, Emersons' and Dickens' works, and books of like character. Albert Ward of Taunton, but of Buckland origin, presented a picture, "The Angelus," which found a place upon the walls. The church library was moved from the Congregational church into the new building.

The dedicatory exercises of the Free Public Church Library, as it was first known, took place July 4, 1891, at the Congregational church. An address was given by Hon. E. B. Hayes of Lynn. There were appropriate remarks by George D. Crittenden of Shelburne Falls, Edward P. Hitchcock of Greenfield, Frederick Howes of Ashfield, Miss Louise Hodges, Hon. W. A. Clark of Lynn, and S. E. Bridgeman of Northampton. After prayer by Rev. Ashley of Shelburne Falls the audience proceeded to the library building for further exercises. These consisted of a brief dedicatory address by Rev. A. C. Hodges, a prayer by Rev. C. B. F. Pease of Ashfield and singing of the Doxology. Letters of congratulation were received from Rev. Dr. Theron H. Hawkes of Springfield, Hon. C. B. Tillinghast, State Librarian, President Merrill E. Gates of Amherst, and many others.

The first librarian was Miss Clara Bement.

For twenty years the church bore the expenses of the Free Public Library. Then the following resolution was passed:

This certifies, that at a meeting of the First Congregational church of Buckland, held December 26, 1911, at which a report of the Library Committee, placing the library under the supervision of the town, was received, it was voted that the matter of the change be left with the Library Committee to take such action as they think best.  
Buckland, Mass., August 31, 1912. Attest. H. W. Warfield, Clerk.

Acting under this authority the undersigned library committee of the church, hereby agrees to place the library in charge of the town of Buckland, under the following conditions;— The books now in the library, or hereafter to be added under the Ruddock fund, to remain the property of the church; the town to have the free use of said books; the



town to have the use of the library building on the following conditions; the town to pay for all ordinary repairs and all expenses for maintainance. Either party, the town of Buckland or the Congregational church, shall have the right to cancel the above agreement upon giving twelve months notice, and until such notice, this agreement shall remain in force.

Charles E. Ward  
J. D. Avery  
N. May Hunt

The undersigned Library Trustees for the Town of Buckland hereby accept the library on the above conditions.

Eugene D. Griswold  
N. May Hunt  
Nellie A. Wilder

Certified to be correct

Herbert L. Gould, Justice of the Peace

By a vote of the town of Buckland in March 1894, seventy-five dollars was appropriated for Arms Library at Shelburne Falls, thereby making that institution free to all residents of Buckland. Money has been appropriated annually since that time, the amounts increasing until, at the present time, seven hundred dollars is the sum so used.

#### PHYSICIANS

Dr. John Safford was the first physician in Buckland, making his home on High Street. His name does not appear on the 1790 census as being here, but from the Acts and Resolves of the General Court it is evident that he was here early in that year, as his bill of fifteen pounds, was allowed by the Court "for medicine and attendance on Sundry paupers in Buckland from March 1790 to June 1792."

He bought a home here February 1, 1792, which he sold in 1794. At the time of the final disposition of his other property here, June 7, 1796, he was recorded as of Windsor, Berkshire County, from which place he may have come originally. On the deeds he is spoken of as John Safford, Jr., physician.

The second physician—supposed by most people to have been the first—was Dr. Silas Holbrook. He may have been the son of Josiah and Mary Holbrook of Sturbridge. At the time of his marriage in 1783 to Tirzah Taylor, he was recorded as of

Greenfield. He was a surgeon in the Revolutionary War and his widow received a pension. He remained in Buckland until about 1793, when he removed to Pembroke, N. Y., and later, from thence to Batavia.

Dr. Joseph Allen was the third physician and is said to have been the most popular of any here. Born on Long Island in 1764, he removed with his parents in 1766 to a new home in Hardwick, Mass. and there spent his minority. His medical education was acquired by study with Dr. William Kittredge of Conway who was considered in his day as an eminent surgeon. The first year of his professional life he spent in Colrain, then he moved to Buckland, where he remained until his death in 1823. He built up an extensive practise and accumulated a considerable property. For many years prior to his death his health was poor, but by judicious management and conservation of his strength, he was able to carry on and did a great amount of hard work. He was a member of the Massachusetts Medical Society from 1812 to 1818 and was highly spoken of by his colleagues.

Concerning Dr. Lawson Long, it is known that he was born in Shelburne, February 25, 1798, a son of Stephen and Nancy (Lawson) Long. He bought a place here October 24, 1836. While in Buckland he became a very active member of the Second Baptist Church specially at the time of its being built in 1832. In 1829 he was a member of the School District Committee. On April 1, 1845, he sold a part of his property, at which time his residence was given as Shelburne. On February 20, 1846, he disposed of the remainder, and with his wife Louisa was recorded as "Of West Springfield."

Dr. Sylvester Axtell. Of this physician there is very meagre record. By a deed he bought in Buckland on June 1, 1835. No sale of this property is on record and it is quite probable that in a short time it reverted to the former owner, and that Dr. Axtell left town.

Dr. Nathaniel Gilman Trow, son of Nathaniel Trow, was born in Wendell, N. H., July 25, 1811. After his school days in Wendell and his graduation at Cummington Academy, he began his medical studies with Dr. Kittredge, then of Hinsdale, Mass., also taking three full courses of lectures at the Berkshire Medical College, from which he graduated in 1837. That fall



he established himself in Buckland as the town's medical practitioner. After about thirteen years, he exchanged practises with his brother, Josiah, and thereafter made his home in Sunderland. While in Buckland he was active in both civic and religious affairs.

Dr. Josiah Trow, a brother of Dr. N. G. above, was born in Wendell, N. H., July 15, 1816. His youth was spent in Windsor, Mass., to which place his parents had removed. He graduated from the Berkshire Medical College in 1840, and also studied with his older brother. His first practise was at Halifax, Vt., where he spent two and one half years, then he went to Sunderland, where there seemed a good opening for a physician. Here he worked for eight years, then in 1851, moved to Buckland and took up the practise of his brother Nathaniel. Here he at once identified himself with the church and Sunday school, being an ardent supporter of both, and teaching a Sunday School class for twenty-seven years.

Dr. Trow had a large practise and was a fine example of the hard working country doctor. As a public speaker he was much in demand. The Old Folks Association at Charlemont was largely indebted to his active aid. He was also president of the Deerfield Valley Agricultural Society, beside holding town offices. His was a life given to the best interests of the community. His death occurred February 15, 1890.

Dr. John G. Greaves settled in Buckland about 1899. He was a native of England and a physician of skill and natural ability. For many years the people of Buckland and vicinity will recall his many quiet and generous deeds. For a time before his death, which occurred November 7, 1919, he maintained an office also at Shelburne Falls.

Dr. ——— Hutton was the successor of Dr. Greaves, and the last resident physician of the town, serving the community for some two or three years. At the present time there is no medical practitioner living within the town limits.

#### DISTRICT NURSE

For some time the feasibility of a district nurse for the village of Shelburne Falls had been discussed, pro and con, and in 1917 when most of the local physicians were in service in the World



War, the demand became imperative. A District Nurse association was formed, the promoters being Mrs. Frank Chapman, Charles E. Ward and Dr. Guild. They applied to the Cooley-Dickinson in Northampton for a nurse and Alma Sward, a recent graduate was sent. Private subscriptions and the nurse's fee of fifty or seventy-five cents a visit financed the undertaking.

In 1925 the association turned the work over to the towns, and thenceforth the school committee and the selectman acting jointly, assumed charge of the undertaking. Since that time each town has appropriated money for the work of the District Nurse. With the exception of the years between 1921 and 1925, Mrs. Alma (Sward) Adler has filled the position.

### THE TOWN FARM

As in all Massachusetts towns Buckland had a Town Farm, the name applied before the term "Town Infirmary" came into use. This was located west from Buckland Center a little less than a mile. A farm on the south side of the road was purchased and the old buildings used. In 1853 there were fifteen inmates, while in 1896 there were six being supported by the town.

In 1900, because of the very dilapidated condition of the buildings new ones were voted, and for the next twenty-four years the new house was used. In March 1924, all the buildings were burned, the fire catching from a chimney burning out. As there was but one town charge at the time, it was decided to sell the land and since that time, town charges have been cared for in private homes.

### MERCHANTS

According to the Centennial Gazette and Courier, "The merchants at the center have been Alfred Jones, who began in a building nearly opposite the present store; Joseph Hubbard and Zur Hitchcock, in the building now owned by Miss Sprague; Lorenzo Griswold, for whom the present store was built; Ebenezer Maynard, who accumulated a handsome property in the business; Franklin Ballard, Samuel Townsley, Henry G. Maynard, Pindar Cooley, S. B. Taylor, Jonathan Temple and L. A. Bradford, who in turn succeeded him."

Edward C. Bradford, son of Lyman A., followed as the senior member of the firm of Bradford and Hunt. Mrs. Mary A. Brad-

ford, widow of E. C., conducted the business after the death of her husband, selling eventually to the present owner H. L. Gould.

"At one time Ansel Taylor was president of a co-operative store association managed by Edwin Scott. W. B. Caswell, Edward Brooks, Samuel Packard, Hosea W. Stockwell, Scott Phillips, and Elisha Harris did business on the lower street and S. B. Taylor in the store connected with his house. Henry Taylor and George Mayhew were merchants at the Millyard, Harvey Wright at the Upper City and Ezra Wood, Mr. Bachelor of Conway, William Patch and Peter Butler at the Four Corners."

Since 1892 there have been engaged in trade at the center, William Caswell, Edward Littlefield, Elisha Harris, — Carlson or Colson, Charles Clark, William Lord and W. L. Daniels.

#### NEWELL COMPANY

In 1867 John Newell, George Chase and Eli Greene opened a store in the Annawansett Block with a stock of hardware on one side and groceries on the other. The next year Greene sold his interests to his partners. After the fire in 1876 from which the firm suffered, only hardware was carried. In 1878 George Chase sold his share of the business to his partner John Newell. The next year, 1879, the latter died and the father, Baxter Newell conducted the business until another son, Herbert Newell, bought it in 1886.

Herbert Newell built the Newell Block in 1895 and there the business has since been carried on. At the time of his death in 1921, his son Bert Newell (Baxter Herbert), was conducting the business and continued to do so until 1927 when he too passed away. Since that time Miss Gertrude Newell daughter of the late Herbert Newell and sister of Bert Newell has been in charge of the business.

#### THE AMSTEIN GROCERY

F. W. Amstein conducted a grocery store on State Street for over fifty years. He started in business with his brother, the late Albert Amstein, in the Buckland town hall building, in 1879, remaining in that location twenty-five years and then moving into the Newell building. Soon after, he bought out his

brother and conducted the business alone until he retired in December 1929.

#### SAUER'S CLOTHING STORE

For nearly fifty years Andrew Sauer had a men's clothing store on State Street, first on the ground floor of the Methodist church and later in the Odd Fellow's building. Upon the decease of Mr. Sauer, Samuel H. Walker bought the business from the estate, retaining it two years and then selling to Frank E. Innis. After a few years here the store was moved by Mr. Innis to the Shelburne side of the river.

#### POTTER GRAIN COMPANY

The building now used for the Potter Grain Company was erected by Joshua Davis for Rufus Covell in 1894. Here Covell carried on a grain business for nine years, then sold to Waymes N. Potter and Sons, of Greenfield, who established it as a branch store, and this firm and its successors have carried it on since, retaining the name of the Potter Grain Company.

#### COAL ELEVATORS

Located north of the freight depot is a large coal elevator built in 1901 by Henry P. Ware. This was used by Ware and the Severance Coal Company until 1926 when John Severance built an elevator which he has since used.

#### GARAGES

The first garage in Buckland was started in 1910 by J. M. Greenless and C. J. Clark at the place where is now the Trail Garage. This business was incorporated by Mr. Greenless until 1918 when Parks, Hellyar and Haigis bought it. In 1918 Hellyar took over the management and he still serves the public in the capacity of manager.

Alfred E. Bruffee built a garage and sales room for Ford cars on State Street in 1921. He is still engaged in the business at this site.

In 1922 the White Mission Supply Company of Buckland was incorporated for the manufacture and repair of motor vehicles and accessories, and for dealing in general merchandise. The



incorporators were Harold Kilgore, Forrest King and Homer Sherman. This garage is now under different management.

#### WARE AUTO SERVICE COMPANY

Merrit Ware built a garage at his home on the Mohawk trail. This was opened for business in the fall of 1920. In connection with this there is also a filling and First Aid station.

#### BUCKLAND GARAGE

Alfred Bruffee built a garage on the lower street, Buckland Center, which he sold to Howard Jenkins and Walter Pollard, the present proprietors.

#### STANDARD OIL FILLING AND SERVICE STATION.

The Standard Oil Company of New York purchased the old Townsley house opposite Woods' stable, of Walter Jackman in May, 1926, and built a large filling station in the angle formed by the intersection of State and North streets. Business increased and in 1932 the old house was razed and a larger and finer station erected on the location. This is one of the finest looking filling stations in town.

#### ANAWANSETT BLOCK

The Anawansett Block was erected in 1853. This was built of brick, was forty-two by sixty feet, and three stories high. It contained the first stores in the Buckland portion of Shelburne Falls. These were dry-goods stores kept by Luther M. Packard and Chase and Green. When burned in July 1876, it was owned by the Newell Company who did a heavy business in groceries and hardware.

#### TOWN OFFICE AND HALL

Prior to the town's purchasing the old Methodist church building in 1905, the first record found concerning the town office was, that it was in the Anawansett Block until the fire of 1876. At that time R. L. Packard was town clerk and then the books were kept for some years at his home. In 1894 and possibly earlier, the town had an office in the Methodist church

building, where it is today. In December 1895, the Newell Block was completed and the new town office there opened, where is now the office of the New England Telephone Company. A hall for town meetings with a seating capacity of three hundred was furnished and the town voted in 1896 to "hold all town meetings at the town hall in the Newell Block." After the Methodist-Episcopal society built their new church, the town voted forty-five to twelve, to buy the church property at the corner of State and Williams Streets for which the sum of five thousand dollars was paid, and soon a fire proof vault was built therein. Here are now located the town offices and the records filed in a safe place.

The auditorium was leased for some years to the Sons of St. George and they sub-let to provide a place where moving pictures might be shown.

In the fall of 1907 Clarence Ward opened a movie house in the town hall auditorium. This he operated two or three nights weekly until he sold to William Mills on June 1, 1916.

Mr. Mills continued with the "movies" and while he was in the business the town voted to repair the hall, opening up the original balcony, and thereby increasing the seating capacity, and adding a fire escape. This work was done in March 1919.

William Mills sold to Carl Nilman, September 1, 1930. The latter redecorated the hall that fall and installed "Talkies," showing the same twice or thrice weekly until, in February, 1935, he moved to the Shelburne side of the river.

#### THE FIRE DISTRICT AND DEPARTMENT

An act to establish a fire district for the village of Shelburne Falls was passed by the House of Representatives, April 27, 1855, the Senate on the next day and was approved by the Secretary of the Commonwealth, October 27, 1856.

By the charter this fire district was composed of the inhabitants of Shelburne Falls and the territory then included in the school districts Number 3 in Buckland and Number 9 in Shelburne.

The first meeting was called October 30, 1856, by Carver Hotchkiss, William Sherwin, J. B. Bardwell and Newell Snow, and these persons were named in the act of incorporation. The charter was accepted and officers chosen. A year passed before

the district could carry the vote to raise \$1,500 for the purchase of necessary apparatus and its acquisition was not accomplished until June 1863, when two hand engines were bought, Engine No. 2, "Neptune," costing \$665 and No. 3, "Niagara," \$662.

Immediately two engine companies were formed to man the engines, the "Niagara" on the Shelburne side, the Anawansett company on the Buckland side for the "Neptune." The latter company had sixty-seven members.

In 1864 the district voted to build two engine houses, one on each side and the one then erected on the Buckland side still stands on its original location. To house the "Niagara" in Shelburne an engine house was built on property now owned by Richard Schack, nearly opposite the first house. At the time of the flood of 1869, this would have been carried away had not the firemen secured it with ropes. When the waters receded the house was moved just east of H. S. Swan Company's buildings. The lower part of it is still used to store equipment, and the hall overhead for the headquarters of the Boy Scouts.

As soon as possible the department constructed reservoirs or "Fire Wells" at advantageous points to supply water in case of fires. There were about ten, some of which were located as follows: At the corner of High and Church Streets, Mechanic, Grove, Williams, Elm and School Streets. Besides these reservoirs, approaches to the river were made, and in 1887 more were added, one at J. A. Richmond's shop, Buckland, one by the Baptist church, one, half way between the latter and the marble shop. As early as 1871 there had been much discussion about bringing water into the district. Financing as today, was brought about by poll taxes and assessments on property.

In 1874 the department purchased ladders and fixtures for the Washington Hook and Ladder Company, No. 1, which numbered twenty-five first-class firemen. This company occupied the house with Anawansett Company, No. 2.

The fire department had its greatest enrollment in 1879, when there were 110 members on Anawansett Engine Company No. 2 in Buckland, and 85 members in the Niagara Company No. 3 in Shelburne. This same year a one thousand dollar fire pump was added to the equipment.

An important event in the history of the department was the purchase of a Silsby steam fire engine, which was housed gratui-



tously at the cutlery. The two hand engine companies were disbanded and a new Company, the Shelburne Falls Steam Company was organized June 4, 1880, by the chief Engineer, George D. Eldridge. There were about thirty-five members. The much talked of tower for drying hose was built on the engine house in 1891.

The old hand engine "Neptune" was sold. The "Niagara" was kept and used in 1895 when Colrain City called for help. It left the engine house drawn by four horses. Before it reached its destination the number had been increased to eight.

In 1902 a fire alarm system had been installed with seven boxes, and a bell placed in the tower of the engine house. A storage battery was placed in 1914. This is a Gamewell fire alarm system. At first the cutlery bell was used to give warnings of fires and for some years the peg shop whistle was so used. The alarm now in operation can easily be heard anywhere within the district.

In 1904 a chemical apparatus was added to the equipment and a chemical engineer in 1910. A Model T Ford truck was bought and in 1929 a Chevrolet truck equipped with a pump took its place. The last acquisitions were made in 1934 when a Reo truck with a two and one half ton chassis was bought, and in 1935 when a five hundred gallon pump was installed on the Reo.

The members of the fire department have attended a school of instruction in Springfield which has greatly added to their efficiency. Today the department numbers twenty-one men beside the chief, and the town is to be congratulated in having such a capable organization.



## CHAPTER

# 23

*Lo! Now the cannon thundering to the sky,  
The thickening fumes that scent the heated air  
Recall the camp, and spread before mine eyes  
The pitch of battle and the triumph there.*

### THE WORLD WAR

IN Buckland as in all places large and small, the formal declaration of war against Germany and her allies on August 8, 1914, aroused the people from a sense of security even though they realized their distance from the scenes of actual conflict. So interwoven had national relations become, that no thinking person could well avoid a feeling of apprehension. The first recorded action found about Buckland people participating in any way, was on November 29, 1914, when a collection was taken in the Congregational church at the Center for the benefit of the war sufferers in Belgium. This comment is taken from the Greenfield Gazette and Courier: "Some over thirty-three dollars was taken which, with what was given and sent a few weeks ago, amounted to about forty dollars." As the relief work abroad was actively and constantly supported by all American committees it is reasonable to assume that this town did its full share although there appears no positive information until 1917.

In the accounts of the war work which follow it is regrettable that due credit cannot be given to that done by the Buckland side at Shelburne Falls. So in reading it must be borne in mind that the absence of such detail is because a greater part of the work done and results accomplished there, is listed under the work done by Shelburne and Buckland grouped as a unit, and is in no sense a reflection on that section of Buckland.

As far as is known, the only Buckland resident with General Pershing's expeditionary forces into Mexico in 1916, was Harry P. Shaw. He served as sergeant-major at Eagle Pass, Texas, during the time The First Vermont Infantry was stationed at that point. He was named by the Commanding Officer as War Correspondent for the Boston American during that period.

About the first of the year 1917 the country was fully aroused to existing local dangers, and by February 24, the power plants located on the Deerfield River were being strictly guarded by civilians. This was also true of bridges, especially railroad bridges, sources of water supplies and other public works.

#### FOOD AND CONSERVATION

On April 6, 1917, the United States entered the war. Eight days later F. D. Kendrick was made chairman of the food and conservation committees and in connection with this work he was soon able to announce that he was prepared to furnish garden plots to all who might wish to cultivate such during the ensuing summer.

At a town meeting held May first of this year the town voted five hundred dollars "to be expended by a committee on public safety for the preservation of peace and good order."

#### ENLISTMENTS

Among the earlier Buckland men in the service was Harry Ward. He had served a four years' term in the navy and on June 19, 1917, re-enlisted at Boston. He was engaged in transport service during the entire war.

Harry P. Shaw went from Norwich University at Northfield, Vermont, to Montpelier, Vermont, as Regimental Sergeant-Major, where he assisted in setting up Regimental Headquarters for mobilization of the First Vermont Infantry. The office was opened April 3, 1917, war of course being declared April 6, 1917.

On May 26, 1917, Paul A. Meehan had enlisted in New York in the National Guard, First Squadron, Troop D. Cavalry, of Syracuse, N. Y.

Knowing that a draft was coming, some forestalled it and on the day of the draft, Charles Delaney, William E. Whyler, Earle Wilde and Ralph Shaw were reported as already having



entered the naval service, while Merle E. Maynard with a number of Dartmouth students had enlisted in the signal corps. Almost daily more men were enlisting. On June 23, Lyle C. Pratt was in the regular army.

#### DRAFTS

The draft took place July 20, 1917. From Buckland the names of Joseph Corso, Preston D. Ware and Everett C. Wilder were drawn, their numbers being respectively, 2522; 2624; 2628. In August, George Smith and Ellsworth Hathaway reported at Fort Slocom, N. Y. Jay G. Kendrick entered service in September and a month later reported at Camp Devens at Ayer; Bert Hathaway was on the Texas in New York harbor; Francis J. O'Neil was also called.

February saw Edward R. O'Brien, Merle L. Purrinton and Andrew H. Swenson qualified for service. In March there were added the names of Saviour Bandiera and Ralph L. Wilder. Alfred Schempp sold his business on State Street to his partner, Glenn F. Joyce, and enlisted. Paul A. Atkins entrained for Camp Devens; Harold S. Rotherham, William A. Raguse, John W. Spencer, Louis Peltier and Walter Ellison entered the service this month.

April 14 saw Harold E. Baker and William Flower serving. In May, Ernest Cramer, Henry R. Paul, Jacob P. Shulder and Joseph A. Peters left for Fort Slocom, N. Y.

On June 8, another group was registered and during the month John W. Spencer left for Camp Devens. In July Myron E. Corso, and Louis and William Peltier went to Fort Slocom while Deane Griswold left to join a group of Massachusetts Institute of Technology students and instructors who were to go to the officers training camp at Plattsburg, N. Y.

Rev. Father Leo T. Rock of St. Joseph's Catholic church volunteered his services as chaplain in the spring and early in August was called, and sent to a chaplain's training camp preparatory to field service. August also saw the departure of Carl Anderson, James A. Mellor, Glenn F. Joyce and Robert E. Scott.

In September, announcement was made that the selective draft would include all men between the ages of eighteen and forty-five and on the twelfth of this month, one hundred and

eighty men were registered here. Prior to and in anticipation of this, there had entered the service Harvey Smith, William H. Nadeau, Nelson B. Wells, Earl D. Hartwell and Clifton Howes. In October, Howard Warfield left for Fort Warren in Boston. As the time of enlistment and departure of other Buckland men is unknown, their names will be found on the honor roll.

#### THE HOME GUARD

As one of the measures of public safety the Home Guard was formed from citizens of Buckland and Shelburne and on July 21, 1917, numbered sixty-seven men. They were regularly mustered into service by Major Wakefield of Springfield. This organization was known as the Twenty-Eighth Co., Massachusetts State Guard. Unfortunately the names of the members have not been found.

At a town meeting held in March 1918, two hundred and fifty dollars was appropriated for the use of the public safety committee.

#### THE DRAFT BOARD

The work of conscription was assigned by the United States government to draft boards. During the week of June 17, 1917, President Woodrow Wilson appointed Dr. George P. Twitchell of Greenfield, Charles H. Ashley of Deerfield, and Philip H. Ball whose home was in Deerfield and business in Greenfield, to serve as a draft board and pass upon all exemptions from military duty in this district, which was designated as Number 4, in the Fourth Division. The towns included were; Deerfield, Williamsburg, Whately, Conway, Buckland, Shelburne, Rowe, Heath, Colrain, Leyden, Hawley, Charlemont, Bernardston and Greenfield.

The first conscriptive draft was made in Washington, D. C., on July 20, 1917. From the 10,000,000 men registered in the country, 1,370,000 were to be chosen by the draft, and from these, 687,000 were to constitute the American first draft army of 500,000 and also to fill all vacancies in the National Guard. From this time on almost every week the columns of the Greenfield Gazette and Courier contained items relative to drafts, exemptions, assignments and lists of men entraining from this district for the various military camps.

In June 1918, all enemy aliens were required to register. This meant that all male natives, citizens, denizens, or subjects of the Imperial German government, fourteen years of age or over, who were not naturalized citizens of the United States, must register, file affidavits and photographs and be fingerprinted.

This draft board continued to function until March 5, 1919, when announcement was made that on March 31 the operation of all selective draft boards would cease. The official order required allocation of draft boards must be ended on that date and that all records on hand would be then shipped to the office of the provost marshal, General Crowder, at Washington, before the office was closed. Although ending their duties on March 31 as did the clerks in their employ, the members of the board were to be retained to be mustered out in regular form later on.

#### CONSERVATION

In December, 1917, the subject of conservation in all directions was a paramount topic. Fuel was at a premium and in many instances it was next to impossible to secure it in anything like adequate amounts. That month the Butler Memorial church voted to heat only the auditorium and infant class room during the winter, and that only for Sundays. The mid-week services were to be held at the homes of members. In January an arrangement was made for three months whereby union services of this church, the Congregational and Baptist churches at Shelburne Falls went into effect, and services were held in Memorial Hall at the Falls.

In April, F. D. Kendrick was looking after food production and the work of the conservation committee. Among his duties now, was the issuing of cards for allotments of flour. Samuel B. Taylor's at Buckland Center was a distributing station for that section. In July, sugar sales were limited to two pound purchases, and two pounds a month per capita consumption. The latter part of August the use of gasoline for all pleasure driving was prohibited. Meatless days were observed. The use of wheat in any form was withdrawn and the house wife had to depend upon rye, corn and wheat substitutes. In her efforts in this, aid was given by the government, in preparing and distributing leaflets containing recipes and suggestions. Collec-



tions of peach and plum stones, also tin foil were made. To a people accustomed to all of the necessities of life and many things in the luxury class, as were most of those in our country, all these curtailments meant much sacrifice. Yet gladly was co-operation given in almost every instance and much assistance rendered thereby.

#### PUBLIC HEALTH

During the early fall of 1918, the entire country was swept by an epidemic of influenza. Acting upon the suggestion of chairman Endicott of the Massachusetts Public Health Commission, churches were every where closed for the month of October. No public services were held Sundays and public gatherings of all types were more or less restricted until the passing of the unusually virulent epidemic, which fortunately ran its course in about a month.

#### RED CROSS

The relief work of the Red Cross began with the outbreak of hostilities in 1914, and as noted earlier, the first action known here was taken at Buckland Center. In February 1917, the women of Buckland and Shelburne Falls were enrolled in earnest, and the next month a branch was organized in Buckland Center. By May all-day meetings for work were being held on Fridays. The report made in the following November showed that there had been made one hundred pajamas; hospital and convalescent shirts; twenty-four sweaters; twenty-four pairs of wristers; eighteen pairs of socks; and twelve fracture pillows. The Buckland ladies had also prepared twelve Christmas bags which the Red Cross were to send to soldiers. In Buckland between twenty and thirty dollars had also been collected. Of this Richard Purrinton of the Mill Yard district turned in ten dollars, of which sum quite a bit was contributed by the Italian laborers on the state road. Like sums of money were being turned in at frequent intervals.

By January 1918, the combined membership of the Buckland and Shelburne Falls Red Cross was six hundred and fifty. Old magazines and newspapers were collected and sold. A number of quilts were made. Clothing was collected to go to France and Belgium. In May 1918, the quota for this unit in the next Red

Cross drive was announced as \$2350. The captain for the Buckland side at the Falls was Mrs. John Temple; for Buckland center, Mrs. Fred L. Warfield. Each appointed deputies who during the week of May 20, made a house to house canvass of their respective districts. Mrs. Warfield's aids were Miss M. Belle Bronson, Eugene M. Elmer, Ernest Scott and Perley Bronson. By the first of June the quota was exceeded, the sum of \$2624 having been secured while the number of contributors was 1361. Mrs. Warfield reported \$335.18 from Buckland Center, contributions being received from Boy Scouts, Campfire Girls, Live Wire and Ever Ready Sunday School classes, as well as from individuals and schools.

Two hundred pairs of socks were requested to be knit by January 21st, and the ladies of Buckland Center gave generous aid. On July 25 a patriotic rally was held at the Center Congregational church in connection with a band concert. There was community singing and an address by "Shell-Proof Mack," a returned soldier of Easthampton who had been in the British army in France. The sum of \$82.35 was raised and of this amount, twenty-five dollars went to the lecturer and the rest to the Red Cross.

On November 11, 1918, the armistice was declared but the Red Cross rooms were kept open until November thirtieth. On December seven, an appeal was made for a linen shower and a large number of sheets, towels, napkins and other articles were gathered, most of them practically new. These were to be sent to the French hospitals where the need was very great. A Christmas Red Cross drive was held for 1918, and the amount received from Buckland Center was approximately \$130.50.

This appeal ended the intensive Red Cross war work so long and ably carried on, and on January 18, 1919, all knitting materials were called in. Undoubtedly the local knitting record in Buckland was held by Mrs. Angelia Stockwell at the Wayside Inn. Although in her eighty-second year, she knitted forty pairs of socks. In addition she finished off a great many more for those who did not understand "setting" the heel and knitting the foot. The preceding week she completed one sock in five hours and twenty minutes.

Altogether the Buckland and Shelburne Falls unit of the Red Cross raised \$9,940.37.

#### Y. M. C. A. RED TRIANGLE

Beginning in November 1917, William S. Williams directed the work in Buckland for the Y.M.C.A. Red Triangle, and in Buckland Center alone the sum of \$200.75 was raised.

In June 1918, J. D. Avery was chairman of the drive then conducted. The sum total subscribed in Buckland and Shelburne was \$1100.

#### WAR WORK OF THE SCHOOLS

Enthusiasm in war work was not confined to adults. The children were enlisted and through the medium of their schools and organizations made a most creditable showing. Soon after the United States entered the war, the pupils of the grammar school made their initial contribution of one dollar and sixty-three cents.

In October 1918, those in Miss Julia Heery's room had purchased thrift and war savings stamps to the amount of \$212.65. The scholars of the graded schools had entered an exhibit of vegetables at the Franklin County Agricultural Fair held in Greenfield in September 1918. For this they won a cash prize of six dollars which was promptly donated to the United War Work fund then being raised.

The Boy Scouts collected about 115 books which were to be sent to the military camps.

The children of the entire country were mobilized as the Victory Boys and Girls and the sum of \$3,025.33 was by them pledged or paid in cash. In this drive, Buckland as usual exceeded its assigned quota, the final amount raised by the young people here being \$51.40 as reported in June 1919.

#### UNITED WAR WORK CAMPAIGN

This was one of the later projects of the war and was launched in October 1918. In reality it consisted of a union of seven different organizations: the Y.M.C.A.; Y.W.C.A.; National Catholic War Council (Knights of Columbus); Jewish Welfare Board; American Library Association; War Camp Community Service; and Salvation Army.

In Buckland, L. H. Johnson was in charge. The combined quota of Buckland and Shelburne was \$6,000; the amount raised, \$6969.98.



## WAR SAVINGS STAMPS

Concerning this, comparatively little has been found. It is known that in February 1918, the drive for this project was in charge of B. H. Newell.

In June, a women's division in the Franklin County Drive for these stamps was headed by Mrs. Walter S. Stanford and Miss Julia Heery as directors. The number of pledges received was two hundred and ninety nine; the number of stamps sold, 1309. The entire amount raised in the two towns, \$41,215.

## THE LIBERTY BOND LOANS

Here again we find Buckland and Shelburne grouped in a common cause. Of the separate amounts and arrangements for the first and second loans, no record has been found.

The third loan chairman was J. L. R. Brown and the other committee members Albert C. Bray and J. D. Avery. Buckland's quota was set at \$7,000. The first one hundred dollar bonds sold by the woman's division were bought by Germania Lodge, No. 14, D.O.H.

The plans for this drive were formulated in March 1918, and by the latter part of April the entire amount had been subscribed. Everywhere one of the features of this loan was large parades, held to stimulate enthusiasm. Buckland and Shelburne provided a most creditable one.

The drive for the Fourth—known as the "Fighting Fourth"—Liberty Bond Loan was in progress by September and was to be an intensive one of three weeks duration. Buckland was expected to contribute \$25,000. This amount was raised by workers under the direction of E. M. Elmer and Mrs. E. C. Wilder.

The Fifth Liberty Bond Loan came after the armistice was signed, hence was designated as "The Victory Loan." It opened in April 1919, and the amount required of Buckland was \$15,000. This closed the drives for funds for government use. The allotments for Buckland and Shelburne together for these five loans were exceeded, the sum of \$688,200 being subscribed. This fact the towns recognized with a just pride and satisfaction. It was the fulfilment of a seemingly impossible task.

## FLAGS

Throughout the war citizens everywhere sought to show their patriotism by displaying the national colors. Perhaps another reason was found in the holiday spirit which is so often imparted by colorful agencies, which tended to counteract somewhat the anxiety and care which was nationwide in extent.

Here in accordance with the prevailing trend, Service Flags were placed in churches and dedicated to those members and attendants absent on military duty, and whose names were conspicuously displayed in the house of worship.

On April 14, 1918, the Butler Memorial church dedicated its flag, and it later bore nineteen stars, that signifying the number of its absent members.

The flag was unfurled and dedicated in the Congregational church at the Center on June 30. There were special services planned with Mrs. Ida Vose Woodbury of Boston as speaker. On September eight following, a service flag was dedicated at the morning service.

St. Joseph's church raised its flag on the church grounds on August fourteen.

By December seven, the need for encouragement by the display of flags seemed over and they began to disappear somewhat from public view. Buckland and Shelburne Falls had been awarded Honor Flags for exceeding their quotas in all Liberty Bond Loan drives. These were now placed permanently in Arms Library at Shelburne Falls, being draped over the mantel in the children's reading room.

## VICTORY SERVICES

Through the winter following the signing of the armistice, union victory services were much in evidence and provided a sane outlet for the great emotional stress which had lain so heavily on all hearts.

On November 17, 1918, six days after the armistice was declared the Butler Memorial church held a union victory thanksgiving service. Addresses were given by Revs. Johnes Morgan of the Baptist church, E. G. Hooper of the Butler Memorial, Ex-Senator Charles E. Ward representing the Congregational church. The Philharmonic orchestra participated

and also furnished accompaniments for community singing. Mrs. Fritz Johnson presided at the organ and a quartette gave selections.

On March 23, 1919 a special victory service was held in the Congregational church. At this there was a dedication of all service flages which had been displayed at homes.

#### SOLDIER'S LETTERS

From Bert Hathaway to his parents, written November 22, 1918:

Received two letters from you this week and am going to answer them now. All censorship regulations are off so I can tell you about my year's work without getting in wrong.

We sailed from New York (on S. S. Texas) on the afternoon of Jan. 29th, '18; steamed a zigzag course till Feb. 11, when we reached our destination, the Orkney Islands just north of Scotland. Here is one of the best naval bases in the world. The British fleet has stayed here a good deal of the time during the war. We crossed alone, except that one destroyer came part way with us, then took its own course to the Azores Islands. At the Orkney island we joined the American ships, all under command of Sir David Beatty, Commander-in-Chief of the English fleet. The American ships, New York, Texas, Wyoming, Florida and Delaware formed the sixth battle squadron of the English Grand Fleet. We were up in the Orkneys all the rest of the winter and sure did have many exciting times. We patrolled the North sea in all kinds of weather, were attacked by enemy submarines, went on convoy trips to the north coast of Norway, went as convoy to American mine layers, mining areas of the North Sea near the German coast. We passed through German mine fields, but each time the good Lord brought us back safely. If we had hit one of those mines there would have been no Texas and no crew as they are powerful enough to blow a ship out of the water. We would just get in from one trip, expecting to have a little time to rest, when some report would come of a German ship and out we would go again. That is the way it was week after week.

About the first of April we had 14 inch gun practise in Scapa Flow Bay in the Orkneys. Then the Grand Fleet went south to the Firth of Forth on the east coast of Scotland. The place is called Rosyth and is only a little way from Edinburgh. This is another base where the English fleet stays part of the summer.



Before I go on, I will tell you a little more about the Orkneys. There is not a sign of a tree on them and only a few people. It is the loneliest place I ever saw. We were glad to get down to Rosyth, where we could at least see the city of Edinburgh. Here we had a chance to go ashore for an hour or so at a time and we also got five hour leave to the city of Dumfries, the birthplace of Andrew Carnegie. We went out on duty several times, but not so often as from the Orkneys. In July the Delaware was sent back to the states and the Arkansas took her place.

The last part of October we went to New Castle, England, and went into dry dock for repairs. There I got a short furlough of seven days and went down to London. George Smith is at Weybridge, forty minutes ride out of London, and I went to see him.

About this time the war began to come to a close by the signing of the armistice by Turkey, Bulgaria and Austria, and at last by Germany. And now to come to the greatest of all—yesterday the 21st of November, we received the surrender of the German high seas fleet at a rendezvous position in the North sea and took them all into the English base at Rosyth. It sure was some day for us as it gives us control of the seas and breaks Germany's naval power forever.

During the time I have been here, I have seen the King and Crown Prince of England, the King and Queen of Belgium, and have seen dozens of English sea Lords and Admirals. They caused us a lot of trouble because when they came aboard we had to be ready for the most rigid inspection. Ship had to be thoroughly clean and our uniforms without a spot on them. Nevertheless I would not have missed it for anything.

I have been a wireless operator since the first of July and have stood watches either day or night, copying messages of war from English and American ships and from English shore stations. I copied the King's message of congratulations to the Grand Fleet and shall bring a copy home with me.

We are now at Rosyth and I don't know how long we shall be here. We may be back to the states in a little while and it may be three or four months, according to how much more work there is for us to do. The people over here do not know what it is to have sugar and white flour. They have been lucky to have enough to live on, say nothing about sweet stuff. They don't know what it is to be hard up in the states. Over here nearly every family has lost some one in the war. Hundreds are going about without arms and only one leg.

Some have lost both legs. It sure is awful. I hope this finds you feeling fine and getting along well.

(Signed) Bert.

In the Greenfield Gazette and Courier of February 1, 1919, Merle Edmund Maynard, eldest son of E. H. Maynard, writes home from Esch, Luxembourg, letters full of interest, giving accounts of varied experiences. He was one of the many Dartmouth students whose spirits were stirred to enlist immediately after their graduation from college and went overseas in July. He joined the signal corps, which proved a very important branch of service in the war, and was at times where the shells fell thickly, but escaped unhurt. He writes in part as follows;

Our batallion spent two years in Luxembourg in a large town named Differdange, where everthing was more German than French, but for all that, much more congenial. The people couldn't do enough for us, either in the way of quarters or entertainment. We lived in the big school building during the time we were there, and except for the absence of beds, was as good as a hotel. New Years Day I walked over the border into one of the large border towns of Belgium named Athus. Also rode in a Luxembourg train, the best since I left England. For some unknown reason we returned to Lorraine and just at present we are in Villerupt which is only two and one half miles from Esch, Luxembourg, the second largest city of that small but prosperous republic. There is a fine new theater in the town which is now used exclusively by the Y.M.C.A. for recreation and entertainment. Also a good public school building in which our corps headquarters is established, and four rooms reserved for the A.E.F. local school. We have a hard time trying to realize the time of year. Three weeks ago we had a small snow storm which made things white for a day, but it has not been repeated, and today the sun is shining, grass is green in paths and one would think it was October. We got our first service stripe February seven but I hope we shan't be here long enough to get our second one.

#### PEACE

The actual signing of the armistice on November 11, 1918, was made the occasion of national rejoicing and such excitement and enthusiasm as is rarely seen. After the long years of warfare and the intensity of war-time activities, coupled with



the nerve-wearing anxiety and grief which had come into many homes, reactions could hardly be controlled.

As in all communities, here also was observed a complete holiday. The peace jubilee and parade held on Monday, November 11, 1918, in celebration of the signing of the armistice was enough to place it beyond the impromptu class, and was one of the most extensive in the history of the town up to that time. The joyful news of the cessation of hostilities arrived at an early morning hour. Every bell in town was rung for a greater part of the day while the big whistle on the Goodell Tool Company's plant, became literally hoarse from constant use. The schools, and all mills and stores were closed, all business was suspended and the day given over to celebrations.

At three in the afternoon an automobile parade of over forty decorated cars and trucks, accompanied by the military band passed through the principle streets of the town and then to Colrain. In the evening nearly every citizen and many from Colrain, participated in another parade. There was a concert by the band, community singing, and speaking in front of the town hall. Lorenzo Griswold of Colrain presided as Master of Ceremonies and made a stirring address after which he introduced Rev. Samuel H. Walker, Rev. W. J. Morgan and Rev. D. P. Sullivan all of whom addressed the large audience. Mr. John Ashley of Deerfield, a representative of the Y.M.C.A., recently returned from France, also spoke interestingly of his work there urging a continuation of the support of the Y.M.C.A. overseas. The festivities of the day closed with bonfires and red fire and a social dance for the young people, held at Masonic hall.

#### BUCKLAND'S WELCOME HOME

As soon as possible after the signing of the armistice, preparations went forward for closing the many military training camps throughout the country, and Buckland men began to return to their homes as their discharges became effective. The joy of the citizens knew no bounds and it is safe to say that that of the returning veterans was equally great. Some were overseas, others detained for a time in naval duty and it was not until the passing of mid-summer, 1919, that a celebration which should include all, could be had.



In August a special town meeting was called, money appropriated, committees appointed and plans made for a welcome to the returned soldiers and sailors. As Buckland and Shelburne had worked as a unit during the war, so was this to be a joint affair to be held on September 16, 1919, in Shelburne Falls.

The committee for Buckland was Rev. E. G. Hooper, Albert C. Bray, Clarence Spencer, Edward Monahan, Mrs. E. M. Elmer, Mrs. Andrew Amstein, Mrs. A. B. Hale. The following preliminary notice of the plans appears in the Greenfield Gazette and Courier of September 13, 1919:

### WELCOME TO WAR VETERANS

Citizens of Buckland and Shelburne:

September 16th, from noon to midnight, has been selected as an occasion for public rejoicing over the safe and early return of our World War veterans. Formal welcome and all honor will be extended to the sons of Buckland and Shelburne, who laying aside every personal interest and ambition, strode forth to defend their homes and native land. It is a privilege not likely to be offered us again to celebrate the home coming of these men and to show them by deed as well as by word that we admire their service, are proud of their achievements and are anxious to receive them among us again.

I, therefore, as chairman of the celebration committee, call upon the entire towns of Buckland and Shelburne to show by flags and decorations, by attendance at all public exercises and events, by handshakes and warm words of welcome, by closing of shops, stores, schools and other places of labor, by song and cheer, by looks and actions, that we are glad the boys are safe home. From noon to midnight make this a gala day, forever to be remembered in these two towns.

(Signed) C. E. Ward

The program follows.

- 12.00 Whistles and bells proclaim their welcome.
- 12.30 Community basket picnic on Arms Campus. Fifteen hundred people should gather by families to break bread with the boys in uniform. For lunch for one extra—for a soldier.
- 12.30—1.30 Band Concert by Shelburne Falls Band, Arms Campus.

- 1.30 Addresses by his Honor, Lieutenant Governor, Channing Cox; President Kenyon L. Butterfield of Amherst Agricultural College; Rev. D. P. Sullivan and other speakers, Arms Campus.
- 2.30 Honor Medals will be presented by the towns to their World War veterans. These are of handsomely designed bronze and there will be presented one hundred and twenty. [Note. One hundred and thirty-five were given out.]
- 3.30 Baseball game between the soldiers and civilians. Band music throughout the game. Arms Campus.
- 6.00 Banquet in Science Hall to World War veterans who will invite one guest each. The Grand Army with their wives will be guests at the banquet. A section of the gallery will be reserved for the parents of the soldiers. If any further space remains, the public will be admitted. The banquet will be entirely prepared and served by local women whose patriotic hearts and willing hands did much toward winning the war. The Philharmonic orchestra will furnish music. The chairman of the celebration committee will act as toast-master.
- 8.00 Dance in Memorial Hall to the service boys and their guests. A section of the gallery will be reserved for the parents of the returned veterans and for the Grand Army of the Republic. Music by James' Orchestra of Springfield.
- 9.00 The public will be admitted to the dance floor and gallery as space permits.

No admission will be charged at any of the exercises or dance.

Charles E. Ward  
Chairman of Celebration Committee

The following invitation was sent to the honored guests:

The people of Buckland and Shelburne rejoicing in the safe return of their World War Veterans and in the splendid service which they rendered, will offer them public honor in a celebration on September 16th, 1919.

As one of these veterans you are very warmly invited by the people of these towns to be their guest upon this occasion. This invitation includes one guest.

An elaborate program has been arranged, including addresses, banquet and dance.



May we recieve your acceptance at once on the enclosed card in order that the committee may make the necessary reservations for you.

The Greenfield Gazette and Courier of September 20, 1919, gives this account of the eagerly anticipated event:

Despite the threatening clouds that hung over the town Tuesday morning the streets were lively with citizens and the boys in uniform long before noon. At twelve o'clock precisely, every church and factory bell and whistles were sounded to proclaim their welcome home and everything was ready for the grand celebration. Owing to the dampness of the Academy Campus, the basket luncheon, band concert and baseball game were cancelled. At 1.30 P. M. the formal exercises of the day began in Memorial hall, which was literally packed with the representative citizens of the towns. A concert was given by the Shelburne Falls Military Band. Ex-Senator Charles E. Ward, chairman of the celebration committee, presided and introduced the speakers, calling first upon Rev. Father D. P. Sullivan, whom he introduced as the only really American clergyman in the village. Father Sullivan gave an eloquent and forceful address replete with patriotic spirit. The labor question and its relation between the employer and employee were touched upon. The second speaker was President Kenyon L. Butterfield of the Massachusetts Agricultural College at Amherst, who spoke at some length and most interestingly upon his personal experiences overseas in educational work among the soldiers during the seven months he was permitted to work with them. The third and last speaker was introduced by chairman Ward as the man who carries the money bags for the state, Hon. Charles L. Burrill, treasurer of the Commonwealth, who with his genial personality and ready wit, captured his audience at once. His address and the anecdotes interspersed, called forth repeated applause, especially his story of the woman's "model husband." Before leaving for Boston at 5.10, Mr. Burrill paid a call at the banquet hall and tasted some of the viands, complimenting most highly the delicious pumpkin pie.

A pleasing feature of the ball program was the presentation of the bronze medals, one to each soldier or sailor. The medals are handsomely designed, bearing on the reverse side the following inscription: "For honorable service in the World War, presented by the people of Buckland and Shelburne."

The dinner at six o'clock, provided by the good women of Buckland and Shelburne was a delightful function; 204 covers were laid. Charles E. Ward again presided as toast-



master in his happy, facetious manner. The Philharmonic orchestra played throughout the dinner hour and Mrs. E. C. Goodell sang two selections. Honorable Edwin Baker spoke for the G.A.R.; A. L. Peck for the town of Shelburne, and W. S. Williams for Buckland; Capt. C. L. Upton, M. D., for the World War boys. Other speakers were Rev. Thomas Lutman, Rev. W. Johnes Morgan, George E. Turton, William V. B. Field, Captain Harry Shaw, Professor J. W. Vose; and Mrs. George A. Jones spoke for the mothers and women at home. The guests of honor at table included the young soldiers and sailors of the World War, veterans of the Civil War and a woman friend of each. Artistic souvenir programs were presented to all. The day's festivities closed with a dance at Memorial hall in the evening. James' orchestra of Springfield furnished music for dancing. The reception committee consisted of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Bray, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Amstein, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Mahoney and Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Reed.

The two towns appropriated \$800 for this celebration. The expenses totaled \$583. On October 4, 1919, it was announced that some programs of the above event were still available. They included not only the exercises of the day but also the Roll of Honor, a complete list of those who received medals, together with a record of the Buckland and Shelburne Liberty Bond Loans, War Saving Stamps and Allied war work subscriptions.

The medal for Andrew Swenson was sent to him as he had left Buckland for his home in Falkenberg, Sweden, during the late summer. He was an expert die maker and while here worked at the Drop-Forge Company's plant.

#### OBITUARIES

On September 2, 1928, Francis S. Benson of Ashfield Street, died at the age of 33 years. He was born in Shelburne Falls, son of Peter and Augusta Benson, and with the exception of the nearly two years' service overseas in the American Expeditionary Forces during the World War, had always lived here. He was held in high esteem in the community. Besides his widow, he left a son, Francis Jr., sisters, Mrs. Henry Hocum of Shelburne Falls and Mrs. Lawrence Field of Chicopee Falls and a half brother, Albert Johnson of Boston.

On July 7, 1921, Thomas Spencer died at the age of nineteen. His military funeral, held at the Butler Memorial church, was largely attended.

On November 9, 1930, Harry P. Ward died in Alamogordo, N. M., aged 38 years. He was a native of Buckland, son of the late F. Ward. For four years he served in the navy, then re-enlisted for the World War and served throughout its duration on a transport. He died from the effects of this military service. His home had been in Buckland until about one and one half years prior to his decease, when in an effort to regain health he moved to New Mexico. He was a young man of sterling character, popular with all. He left a widow, Ruth (Wilder) Ward, and his mother, Mrs. Alice Ward.

#### GOLD STAR RECORD

SHIRTCLIFF, ROY F.; died 26 Sept., 1918, at Camp Jackson, S. C., of disease. ent. 27 Aug., 1918 156th D.B.; trans. 6 Sept. to Batry F, 3d Regt., Field Arty. Replacement Draft, Camp Jackson.

Born 19 Dec., 1888 at Naugatuck, Conn., son of Albert (died 1911) and Elizabeth (Schofield, died 1920); brother of Nettie May (wife of Frank Oliver Trombly) of Shelburne Falls. Machinist of Shelburne Falls. Resident in Massachusetts twenty seven years.

[His home was on the Buckland side of the River at Shelburne Falls.]

#### HONOR ROLL

(A—Army; N—Navy; S.A.T.C.—Student's Army Training Corps.;—overseas.)

Anderson, Carl B., (A) 22nd Inf., Co. I.

Atkins, Paul E., (A), 2d Co., 1st Batt., 151st. Depot Brigade.

Baker, Harold E., (N), First Class Fireman.

Bandiera, Savious, (A), Battery B., 16th Batt., 6th Regt.

Benson, Francis S. (A\*), Co. D., 102d Regt., 26th Div.

Booker, Clyde A. (A\*), Co. C., 101st Engineers, 26th Division.

Boyle, Matthew E., Captain, (A), Co. D., 307 Div. Supply Train, 82d Division.

Chapin, Luther, Cadet, U. S. School of Military Aeronautics, Princeton.

Cone, Dwight M., (N), First Class Fireman.

Corso, Joseph, (A), 504th Engineers.

Corso, Myron E., (A), Heavy Artillery.

- Cramer, Ernest, (A\*), 16th Batt., Battery B., Field Artillery.  
Delaney, Charles J., (N), Coppersmith.  
Eddy, Alfred L., (A), Hospital Corps.  
Ellison, Walter E., (A\*), Co. H., 347th Inf., 87th Division.  
Flowers, William (N), Engineer, Second Class.  
Gebo, John M., Sergt., (A\*), Repair Unit 328, M.T.C.  
Griswold, Earle A., (A), S.A.T.C.  
Griswold, H. Dean, 2nd. Lieut. (A), U. S. Inf.; Committee on Education and Special Training, Washington, D. C.  
Groves, Harold S., Corp., (A\*), Chaffeur, First Class Air Service.  
Hartwell, Earl D., (A), Co. C., R. U. 311, M.T.C.  
Hathaway, Bert R., (N\*), Wireless Operator.  
Hathaway, Ellsworth, H., (A), 3d Ammunition Train, 3d Divis., Reg. Army.  
Howes, Clifton W., (A), Limited Service, 304th Guard and Fire Co.  
Johnson, Richard F., (N), U.S.N., R. F.  
Joyce, Glenn F., Sergt., (A), Mail Dept. Battery A.  
Kelliher, George, (A), Limited Service, 331st. Guard and Fire Co.  
Kendrick, Jay G., Corp., (A), Limited Service, Camp Utilities Co., 2. M.C.  
Kilgore, Harold S., (A), Co. E., 10th Engineers, Regular Army.  
Maynard, Merle E., (A\*), 301st Regt., Co. B., Field Signal Batt., 76th Div.  
Meehan, John F., (N) Orderly Ensign.  
Meehan, Paul A., Sergt. (A), 104th Machine Gun, Co. B.  
Mellor, James A., (A), 60th Field Artillery, Battery F.  
Miller, Arthur L., (A), 6th Ord. Guard Co., Detachment.  
Mills, Harrison F., Sergt., (A), Canadian Siberian Ex. Forces.  
Monahan, John P., (N), Merchant Marine.  
Morse, Lawrence E., (A\*), 104th Regt., Co. L., 26th Divis.  
Nadeau, William H., Reg. Sergt. (A), Supply Co., 319th Field Artillery, 82d Div.  
O'Brien, A. Francis, (A\*), 2d Cavalry Band.  
O'Brien, Edward R., (A), Machinist, Air Squadron.  
O'Brien, James W., (A), Camp Upton, Yaphank, L.I.  
O'Brien, Luke P., (N), Machinist Mate.  
O'Brien, Michael L., (N).  
O'Brien, William J., (A), Machinist 2 M.C.  
O'Neil, Francis J., (A), Limited Service.  
Paul, Henry R., Corp., (A\*), 11th Field Artillery, Battery C.  
Peltier, Louis J., (A\*), 73rd Regimental Headquarters, France.  
Peltier, William J., (A), 54th Batt., 7th A. A. Sector.



- Peters, Joseph A., (A), 8th Batt. Battery A., F.A.R.D.  
Peters, Leon N., (A), Cook.  
Pfersick, Conrad L., (N), Naval Reserve.  
Pratt, Lyle C., (A\*), 19th Field Artillery, Battery A.  
Purrinton, Mark L., (A), 160th T. C., 14th Divis.  
Raguse, William A., (A), 312th Signal Corps. Co. C., 87th Divis.  
Rock, Rev. Leo T., (A), Chaplain, 71st Divis. 113th Inf.  
Rotherham, Harold S., (A\*), 16th Field Artillery, Battery E., 4th Divis.  
Ryan, Walter, Postal Express.  
Schempp, Albert E., (A), 301st Ammunition Train, Co. C.  
Schulda, Jacob P., (A), Battery B., 4th. Batt., First Brigade, F.A.R.D.  
Scott, Clifton W., (A), S.A.T.C.  
Scott, Robert E., (A), 3d Regt. Battery D.  
Shaw, Harry P., Capt., (A), 8th U.S. Cavalry.  
Shaw, Ralph E., (N), Hospital Reserve Corps.  
SHIRTCLIFF, ROY F., (A), Battery F., 3d Regt., F.A.R.D.  
Smith, George E., (A\*), Aviation Corps, A.A. Acceptance Park, No. 2.  
Smith, Harry H., (N), Marine Corps, Signal Batt., 147th Co.  
Spencer, John W., (A\*), First Class Private, 303d Machine Gun, Co. D., 76th Div.  
Swanson, Andrew H. (A), 2d Batt., 6th Co., 152d Brigade.  
Thackary, Joseph, (A\*), 110th Inf., Machine Gun Co.  
Thackary, William, (A\*), Co. L., 104th Regt., 26th Divis.  
Turton, George E., Corp., (A), 301st Engineers, Co. B.  
Tyler, Arthur L., (A), 347th Regt., Co. K., 87th Divis.  
Ward, Harry P., (N\*), First Class Gunner's Mate, Torpedo Boat Destroyer.  
Ware, Preston D., (A\*), 469th Aero Squadron.  
Warfield, Howard L., (A), 61st, C.A.C. 61st Ammunition Train, Co. D.  
Wells, Nelson B., (A), 9th Cadet Squadron, Air Service.  
Whyler, Ernest W., (N\*), Mine Layer.  
Wilde, Earle, (N\*), First Class Fireman.  
Wilder, Ralph L., (A\*), 12th Field Artillery, Battery C., 2d Division.



CHAPTER

24

SESQUI CENTENNIAL

*As waters gushing from their source  
Along Green Mountain sides,  
And mingling in their onward course,  
Pocumtuck River glides;  
So blend the records of our past  
And we, their children, claim  
Alike, the precious heritage  
Of each historic name.*

AS at the time of the one hundredth anniversary, enthusiasm ran high upon the approach of Buckland's one hundred and fiftieth natal day. Some there were who recalled the past event and perhaps their story of that outstanding day in the town's annals stimulated the already growing sentiment that a suitable observance must be held. Committees were appointed who planned a most successful celebration. The weather man provided a most perfect setting in bright sunshine, not too hot for August. The people all did their part in preparation, and attendance. It was estimated that some 6,000 were present to witness the passing of the parade and at least one half that number at Buckland Center for the events there scheduled. In the entertainment provided none could have been disappointed. Governor Frank G. Allen honored the town with his presence, Congressman Allan G. Treadway and many others from away were here, while local interest was amply represented by the presence of two women, natives of Buckland and both past ninety, in the persons of Mrs. Pindar Cooley of Pittsfield and Mrs. Electa Stratton of Shelburne Falls. Most of the visitors who viewed the very fine parade, stayed for the exercises at the Cricket

field, visited the antique show and attended the presentation of the "District Skule" in the evening at Buckland Center.

The parade started on time and wended its way over Shelburne Falls' most important streets with the side lines crowded with applauding onlookers. There were forty floats and decorated vehicles in line. Transportation and other changes in the past one hundred and fifty years were delineated. The day of the spinning wheel was contrasted with modern electrical equipment. The costuming of past and present was in interesting contrast.

The following account is given practically as it appeared in the Greenfield Gazette and Courier, where fortunately the features of the day had been most faithfully chronicled:

The prizes for the most interesting floats were awarded as follows: First to the Deerfield Valley Agricultural society for their three units; second, to the North Adams Transcript for its exposition of progress; third to W. E. Shaw, florist. Floats receiving honorable mention were those entered by Mary Lyon Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, H. P. Hood Co., H. W. Swan Furniture Co., The Buckland Methodist church, (a replica, complete with organ and bell), and the St. Joseph church, three units.

Prizes for private cars were awarded to: Mrs. F. J. Wood, first, for a beautiful rainbow creation; Mrs. E. W. Benjamin, second for an attractive color scheme in yellow and white.

In the antique and horrible section the first prize was awarded to Sidney and Ralph Shaw, representing mothers of 1779 and 1929. One was dressed in the most advanced "flapper" style with suntan dress and smoking a cigarette. The other wore a costume of the early period with ground-sweeping skirt and poke bonnet. The second prize was given to the Ashfield Hayseed band.

The parade committee was composed of Dr. E. O. Clapp, Charles E. Hellyar, Earl Lilly, Jacob Haigis, Robert Williams, Mrs. Roy Amstein, Mrs. Charles Trow. The line of march for the parade was: Bridge Street, Maple Street to Main, back to Bridge Street, to State Street, to Conway Street where it terminated at the cricket field. Parking and policing were in charge of state and local police, the former being assigned to duty from the Shelburne Falls and Leeds barracks.

The town committee: Albert C. Bray, Chairman, Anna M. Page, Clerk, Walter E. Legate, Henry B. Wells, Hezekiah E. Ward.

Decorating committee: Clarence Dickinson, Robert Strong Woodward, Edward Joyce, Walter Gerry, Roy H. Amstein,



Mrs. Fred Schontag, Mrs. Walter Legate. Song leader: Frank H. Chandler.

The judges for the parade were; J. Earl Perry of Belmont, Mrs. Oscar Avery of Charlemont, William L. Davenport of Greenfield. A pleasing feature of the occasion was the presence of Timothy Cronan who was Marshall of the Greenleaf Guards at the one hundredth anniversary celebration.

Following the parade came the exercises at the Cricket field, Buckland, which opened with singing "America the Beautiful," by the audience. Prayer was offered by Rev. J. V. Harrison. Albert C. Bray, Buckland's town clerk, and former representative, was chairman and introduced the various speakers. He filled the position in a manner which won him much commendation. The address of welcome was given by Charles W. Trow. Mr. Trow in behalf of the present citizens of Buckland extended a cordial welcome to all. He referred to the trail down the past one hundred and fifty years and alluded to the celebration as the town's greatest heart throb. He pictured the beauties and attractiveness of the region which allures homeseekers. He paid tribute to those who have gone before and urged the present generation to rejoice in their privileges and to press on to further greatness. M.O.T. Coleman of Westfield, a former Buckland resident, responded. He spoke as follows:

Your returning guests appreciate the welcome, and I believe all will unite with me in saying "Go where you will on God's Green Earth, be he Prince or Prodigal, he could not receive a more sincere, cordial and royal welcome than you have given us. You have unlocked Memory's Casket and we are living over by-gone days and with memory's eye we see the gems and jewels of childhood.

Your guests love to come back to see the old home—nothing so dear to us; no matter how pleasant or magnificent elsewhere, our old home—our first home, the tie of our childhood—is *the* home.

Childhood days are, or should be, the happiest. There we want to go again and again. The old valley is very dear to us. I am living elsewhere but I have always called this my home, and it ever will be, for I have journeyed hither many times with the remains of my loved ones and laid them away in their last resting place.

There is attached to the return to one's old home a certain amount of sadness, but your sincere and cordial welcome, and the firm grip of friendship from friends we have met recalling by-gone days makes it one of cheer.

One hundred and fifty years ago Buckland became a child of the old Bay state. The sons of the old Bay state sat in the halls of the first Continental Congress and when the

life of the nation was threatened and Abraham Lincoln called for troops to enforce obedience to the mandates of our government, the echo of that call had not ceased reverberating through this valley and over the hills of Buckland, ere her sons had offered themselves for defense of the flag.

Two hundred and thirty sons of Buckland heard the call and went in defense of our beloved country. Some of us will remember Co. H of the 10th Massachusetts regiment, who went out from us—we remember the morning they bade us farewell and left for camp. It was a great day for me when I was permitted to meet the boys in Springfield on their return from the front on June 24, 1864.

In commemorating and paying tribute to those who offered their lives for the defense of our beloved country, I ask you all to bow your heads one minute in silent prayer.

I am a son of old Buckland since 1849. My ancestors were no different than other people of their day. Nathaniel and Gershom Coleman were pioneers at the Falls. They settled there the latter half of the 17th century. The village site was formerly embraced by the Coleman farm. They built the first frame house at the Falls and it is standing today on Clement Street.

Gershom Coleman was my great-grandfather; Oliver Coleman my grandfather, and Alexis Coleman my father. My ancestors came from England near Devonshire.

It is not often after four score years one stands on the field where as a boy he played ball, and can see the location of the house where he was born and the school house where he was taught his ABCs.

“What fame some stranger man may ask

What has Buckland done of worth?

Well to explain is an easy task;

She's our own sweet place of birth!”

Seventy-five years ago a penniless wanderer died and was buried in far away Africa. For years he slept in a neglected and almost forgotten grave. Through the means and the influence, of a great American, W. W. Corcoran of Washington, that body was disinterred, put in a metallic coffin, and placed upon an American battleship sent for that specific purpose through an Act of Congress.

Down the Mediterranean, through the Straits of Gibraltar, across the broad Atlantic, that battleship steered its course towards the port of New York. On its arrival guns thundered their salute of honor, flags of all nations, on all ships, dipped their colors, while the forts shook the mighty deep with their welcome. A special train conveyed the body to Washington. On its arrival business was suspended; a procession of its



kind hitherto unknown, and never since equalled, led by the Marine band, passed through Pennsylvania Avenue. On either side of that historic highway stood thousands of people with bowed and uncovered heads. Upon a platform, erected for that specific purpose stood the President of the United States, members of his Cabinet, ambassadors of foreign nations, attachés of every embassy, United States senators, governors of states, and members of Congress.

The dead man had fought no battles; written no book; delivered no oration; he had painted no pictures; modeled no statue; no act of diplomacy or legislation bears his name.

Why, then this unprecedented work of honor to a penniless wanderer from the mightiest of the earth? I will tell you why—he had written one song, only one, that has thrilled the hearts of all mankind.

He was JOHN HOWARD PAYNE, who wrote "Home Sweet Home."

Be it ever so humble, there's no place like Home.—Mr. President, I deem it a great honor and it gives me one of the greatest pleasures of my life to return here today and meet you, one and all, in my own—"Home Sweet Home."

This was followed by the singing of "The Battle Hymn of the Republic." Governor Frank G. Allen was then introduced by Mr. Bray, who said so far as he knew it was the first time Buckland had been honored by the presence of the Chief Executive of the Commonwealth. Governor Allen presented the greetings of the Commonwealth. He referred to Buckland's old industry of wool raising and said that he did not depend upon politics for his livelihood but upon the wool and sheepskin business. He referred to Buckland's observance of its centennial anniversary and noted some of the changes which have since taken place. The Zeppelin, the radio, and to electrical development, which has done so much to lighten toil. He referred to the present celebration as a fitting advance event to the tercentenary celebration of the Massachusetts Bay Colony. He paid tribute to Buckland as a fair example of the New England town, which contributes so much to the life of the state and the nation. He lauded the form of government as the highest type of government yet devised, and paid tribute to the public schools. He referred to the prediction that is being made that our form of government cannot endure and said that so long as towns like Buckland continue to rear and train men of rugged character



to go out and help direct the affairs of cities, the state and the nation, there is no cause for worry. He stressed the importance of obeying the law and pointed out that the continuation of the privilege of enjoying liberty, religion and the pursuit of happiness depends upon support of the law, and warned that liberty does not mean trespassing upon the rights of others and that liberty is not license. He referred to the debt owed to the pioneers for the precious heritage handed down to the present and the duty to pass it on unimpaired to future generations. He said it is a privilege to be born in Buckland where the atmosphere and the surroundings tend to bring man nearer to God and that so long as the old traditions are kept alive and towns like Buckland continue to be the backbone of the nation, government will not fail.

The Governor was warmly greeted and heartily applauded through and at the end of his address.

The award of essay and poster prizes was made by Miss Raguse acting for Charles March. The essay which won first prize was read by Miss Mary Trow, its author:

#### EARLY HISTORY OF BUCKLAND

The town of Buckland was incorporated April 14, 1779. The one hundred fifty years since then have brought about great changes to the little town that began its life in the midst of the Revolutionary struggle. The town was presumed to have been called Buckland from the fact that Squire Taylor, the early pioneer, had a deer park between the mill-yard and the Deerfield River.

The first settlement was made by Captain Nahum Ward on land granted to Colonel Jonathan Ward. The first house in the town was built by him in what we know as the "Orcutt pasture." In this dwelling the first birth and death of the town took place.

In time of War, Buckland has done her full share, having sent some of her best boys to France while we at home did our part in working for them.

The Clessons River afforded much water power for the numerous small factories. The first saw and grist-mill were at the mill-yard in the northern part of the town. At the Center, Four Corners and Upper City were various shops employing from one to a dozen men. These were never all in operation at the same time. Since steam has supplanted water power, business has moved to larger places. A pile of

brick and stone is all that is left to remind one of what was once a busy manufacturing village.

Buckland has always had a deep interest in the education of its youth. Among the foremost in promoting education were Squire Taylor and Mary Lyon. Mr. Taylor was a public spirited man, giving the land for our common, and for the church and school house. Most of us are more or less familiar with the famous Mary Lyon, Buckland's greatest gift to the world. We are all proud that Buckland can claim her as a daughter. She was a remarkable woman, far in advance of her time in regard to the education of women. When she began teaching, reading, writing, spelling and needlework, comprised the whole course of study considered necessary for girls, and very few had an opportunity for farther advancement. She derived great benefit from the advantage of her teacher, John Porter, who gave her her first position. We all owe her much for the impulse she gave to the higher education of girls.

The early settlers of Buckland were long dependent on the neighboring towns for religious instruction. There were formerly three churches in town, the Congregational, Baptist and Methodist. At the present time only the Congregational remains, the Baptist having been moved to Ashfield and the Methodist remodeled into Grange hall.

The brief record of the past for the town of Buckland is finished and as we stand facing the future let us take for our motto, that which seems to be the song of the Clessons River—*Forward and Never Backward*.

Band selections were followed by adjournment for dinner.

The afternoon program opened with singing "Auld Lang Syne," which was followed by a paper on "The History of the Buckland Schools," by Mrs. Fannie S. Kendrick. (This is to be found in the chapter devoted to the Schools of the town.)

Congressman Allan T. Treadway was the next speaker. Congressman Treadway told a few good stories and then spoke in more serious vein. He stressed the value of the reunion spirit so well exemplified in the homecoming to Buckland's celebration. He said that real life is not found on cement pavements but in places like Buckland. He paid tribute to Mary Lyon and noted the influence she had been in educational matters. He said he was pleased to note that the boy who won the Edison prize was to attend a Massachusetts institution, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He also referred to the opportunities which the present generation have before them. Congressman Treadway spoke a good word for Congress, saying the members appreciate the responsibility which rests upon them and that they strive



to pass legislation which shall be beneficial to the whole country. He noted the swiftness of the air mail today in comparison with courier delivery twice a month, from Philadelphia to Boston in the old time. In closing he bespoke support of the institutions at home, in the Commonwealth and at Washington.

Next came the masterly address of Ex-Senator Charles E. Ward. (This is given in the succeeding chapter.) Upon this the Gazette made this comment. "This paper together with Mrs. Kendrick's paper on the Buckland schools, should be put into enduring form and preserved."

Followed next a song "My Home Town" the words of which were written by Mrs. Anna M. Page, clerk of the Committee of Arrangements.

#### "My Home Town

Like a gem 'mid the New England hills  
Lies Buckland the town of my birth,  
Many places far grander may be  
But to me 'tis the best spot on earth.

#### Chorus

Here's to thee, native town!  
Thy sons and thy daughters give praise,  
While the hills re-echo the sound  
Our song of allegiance we'll raise.

In the Spring as the meadows grow green  
And the Deerfield flows on to the sea  
Budding flowers, nesting birds, all proclaim  
Fair Buckland's a good place to be.

'Neath the rays of the warm summer sun  
Thy beauties then nature doth tell,  
And while bird songs are borne on each breeze  
I rejoice that in Buckland I dwell.

In Autumn thy gorgeous hued hills  
Call the traveler from east and from west,  
And we say with a sigh of content  
'Dear home town, thy shelter is best.'

When winter's robe covers the land  
And shining stars brightly look down  
From hill and from dale sleigh bells ring,  
'I rejoice in my own native town.'

In Autumn, or Winter, or Spring,  
May we say and sing it with zest  
We will work for the good of our town.  
To Buckland we'll give of our best."



Mrs. Edwin R. Fiske of Greenfield, Mount Holyoke graduate of 1900, represented President Mary Woolley of Mount Holyoke College and gave a brief but highly interesting address upon "Mary Lyon." In opening, Mrs. Fiske voiced the regret that Miss Woolley could not be present and her personal regret in that she felt unable adequately to take Miss Woolley's place. She reviewed Mary Lyon's early struggle to gain an education, her work among the children, her later efforts in teaching and her sacrifice of a good position at Ipswich to further her ideal in carrying on her pioneer work for the advancement of education for girls. She spoke of Mary Lyon as a leader and stressed the influence she made upon education not only at Mount Holyoke but at Wheaton and Oberlin and in fact throughout the United States and the world. "She taught girls to think," said Mrs. Fiske, and we need thinking women." She spoke of the World College movement as making for world peace. She said the spirit of Mary Lyon lives, and the homage of Mount Holyoke is freely paid to Mary Lyon.

After a selection by the band Clarence Lilly gave the closing address on "Our Young Men." Mr. Lilly paid tribute to the pioneers and said the young men could make no rash promises for the future that is before them. He did bespeak for the young men a determined effort to uphold the old traditions and pass on to those coming after us the rich heritage which has come down from the past.

The winners of the essay and poster contest were announced as follows: Essay: first prize. Mary Trow; second, Jeanette Bettcher; third, Dorothy LeValley; honorable mention, Evelyn Batchelder. Posters: first, Ronald Walker; second, David Marden; third, Erving Kendrick; fourth, Miriam Shaw.

The celebration ended Wednesday night when about three thousand persons attended the exercises at Buckland center at 8.30. An outdoor play, "The Oldtime School," was presented by a cast composed of the following from Buckland: Clifton Scott as School master; pupils: Clarence Lilly, William Trow, Harry Purrinton, Wayne Burdick, Lois Hawks, Eleanor Wells, Ruth Wells, Jennie Griswold, Maria Elmer, Violet Harrison, Francis Trow; visitors: Mrs. Rose Scott, Mrs. Luna Scott and Mrs. Erma Taylor Scott; school committee: Hezekiah Ward, Halbert Dodge, Charles Hunt, Reverend J. C. Harrison, Galen Johnson,

Morris Mitchell, Robert Williams; guest of honor: Mrs. Mary Dodge. The program consisted of songs and recitations in geography, history and arithmetic, all pertaining to the history of Buckland.

An exhibition of antiques was held throughout the day at Buckland Grange hall. The value of the exhibition is placed at about \$10,000 and more than 1000 persons visited it. Hundreds of the finest antiques gathered from the families of the town were on display. There were included lockers, mulberry and lustre ware, samplers, coverlets, pewter ware, linen dresses made from homespun flax, porringers, glassware, highboys, chairs, chests, flax and spinning wheels, lamps and lanterns, clocks of many kinds, documents dating back a century and more, handsome paisley shawls, kitchen and fireplace utensils, etc, etc. One article of especial interest was a chair which "Miss Babbitts' grandfather made and in which her grandmother rode from Providence, R. I., to Colrain in an oxcart."

In the late afternoon ball games were featured between the Shelburne Falls Indians and the Florence Braves, the former winning. Also a game was staged between the young and the older men, youth coming out as victors.

The decorations were everywhere the subject of much favorable comment because they were so bright and clean. The original song with words written by Anna M. Page, was printed on the souvenir program.

Many of the visitors visited Mary Lyon Inn, the Griswold place, and inspected the room where Mary Lyon had her school. Governor Allen and his party dined there.



CHAPTER

25

SESQUI-CENTENNIAL CONTINUED AND CONCLUSION

*Tell ye your children of it,  
And let your children tell their children,  
And their children another generation.*

Thus will the record be preserved.

IT was found that some portions of Mr. Ward's address had already been used in substance in the earlier parts of this work. Hence the liberty was taken of leaving them in their topical connection where they seemed rightfully to belong and refer the reader to them.

ADDRESS OF THE HON. CHARLES E. WARD

1779—BUCKLAND—1929

Fifty years ago at the one hundredth anniversary celebration of the town of Buckland it was my privilege to respond to the toast of the young men of Buckland. I recall stating at that time that the young men have no record of the past to bring you.

Today the task assigned me is to go back one hundred and fifty years and bring the record of the town before you. I am handicapped as was the historian of fifty years ago in having no records of the town to consult, since they were all destroyed by fire three years before the anniversary day.

The first settler in what is now Buckland was Nahum Ward. Reverend Washington Nichols in his poem of that time said, "Wards were first upon the soil." The first child born in Buckland was Jonathan Ward, son of Nahum. It seems from the records that Nahum Ward had little part and his son Jonathan, no part, nor did they leave descendants who had any part in the town's history, having lived in Western



Massachusetts only eleven years before returning to their former home in Upton. Gershom Ward, a brother of Nahum, came soon after Nahum and died in Buckland, leaving no children. John Ward came from Upton in 1773 and settled on the land now owned by W. D. Smith (the buildings were burned a few years ago). He was the first permanent settler of his line. His son Jeremiah, married Hannah, daughter of Kerley Ward. A nephew of Gershom, son of Hezekiah, named Kerley Ward came in 1789. Daniel Ward, brother of John, was also an early and permanent resident and settled on the present E. F. Smith farm. He was the ancestor of "Miller John" of whom Mr. Nichols wrote in his poem, "Miller John, an upright soul who left the grist and took the toll." He leaves as his descendants, Frank A. Ward of this village, Julian Goddard of Buckland and Mrs. William Hubbard of Sunderland and her sister Rose Ward.

I again quote from Washington Nichols' poem, "Taylors next in order came. Many people bore this name." Samuel, Othniel, William, Lemuel, Enos. Of the Taylors I will speak later. Captain Gardner Wilder was one of the early settlers of No Town, before its incorporation as the town of Buckland.

I quote from the history of Honorable Joseph Griswold of fifty years ago in which he says, "Grants had been made to the Wards in the western part, to the Wilders, Taylors and Carters in the central and in the eastern section to the Johnsons and Spragues, but no exact dates can be discovered except that of a deed dated in 1771 to Captain Gardner Wilder of land bordered by Charlemont on the north and Ashfield on the south and indefinitely on the east and west."

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(Here Mr. Ward had given the petitions to the General Court and names of people residing on the Grants, likewise non-residents interested, for all of which the reader is referred to Chapter second.)

Here follows the act, the 7th of April, 1779:

Whereas the inhabitants of the plantation called "No-Town," and those on that part of Charlemont lying on the south side of Deerfield River and East of Number Seven, in the county of Hampshire, having represented to this court the great difficulties and inconveniences they labour under in their present situation, and have earnestly requested that they be incorporated into a town,—

Be it therefore enacted by the Council and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same,

(Sect. 1) That the plantation called "No-Town," and that part of Charlemont lying as aforesaid, and all bounded as follows: viz., beginning at the northeast corner of Number Seven, and from thence, running north, nineteen degrees east, by said Charlemont, eighty-eight rods, to Deerfield River: and then, turning, and running easterly, northerly, north-easterly and southerly, with the various windings and turnings of said river as it now runs, and bounding by and upon said river, till it comes to Shelburne west line; and then, turning, and running southerly, bounding easterly on said Shelburne till it is extended to Ashfield north line; and then turns, and runs westerly, bounding southerly on said Ashfield, till it comes to the east line of Number Seven; and then turns, and runs northerly, bounding west on said Number Seven, till it comes to the first mentioned bounds,—be and hereby is incorporated into a town by the name of Buckland; and that the inhabitants thereof be, and they are hereby, invested with all the powers, privileges and immunities which the inhabitants of towns within this state to or may by law enjoy.

And be it further enacted,

(Sect. 2) That the inhabitants and proprietors of said town of Buckland shall pay their proportion of town, county, and state, taxes already set on or raised by the General Court of this State, and county of Hampshire, and the town of Charlemont.

And be it further enacted,

(Sect. 3) That David Field Esq., be, and he hereby is, directed and empowered to issue his warrant, directed to some principal inhabitant within said town of Buckland, requiring him to warn the inhabitants of said town of Buckland, qualified to vote in town affairs, to assemble at some suitable time and place in said town, to choose all such officers as towns, by law, are required and empowered to choose in the month of March, annually, and to transact all other matters and business necessary to be done in said town.

And be it further enacted,

(Sect. 4) That the respective town clerks of the several towns to which the inhabitants of said town of Buckland have been rated, shall, before the meeting of the said town of Buckland, deliver to the person who shall be directed and empowered, as aforesaid, to warn the inhabitants of said town, a copy of the last list of valuation of the real and personal estate of the inhabitants of said town, in order to



determine the qualification of voters at said meeting; and that the inhabitants who shall appear, by said list, to be voters according to law shall be allowed to vote.

Apparently the town of Charlemont was not satisfied to lose a portion of its territory for within a few days after enactment, Asaph White, its agent, applied to the Legislature for its repeal. White's petition, which was read in the House, April 19, 1779, has not been found, but it appears that the prayer of the petitioner was, that this act "may be repealed or altered." The petition was immediately referred to a joint committee "to consider the same and report what may be proper to be done." On the 4th day of June, Asaph White had leave to withdraw his petition as agent for the town of Charlemont, in accordance with the report to that effect, of the committee and that the petition not be granted.

As a side line showing how the aforesaid mentioned land in Charlemont came to be incorporated in Charlemont, we find in Chapter 155 in the acts of 1767, a petition of

Hezekiah Ward, Benjamin Clarke and Jonathan Mason, Heirs and Attorneys for the Heirs of the Estate of Benjamin Clarke late of Boston, Deceased, Ebenezer Storer, Executor of the Will of Ebenezer Storer late of Boston Esq., Deceased, and Stephen Minor, Administrator of the Estate of Jonas Clarke late of Boston aforesaid, Esquire, deceased, Setting forth That they own certain Lands bought by them and their predecessors lying in the North part of a new Township formerly called Boston Township No. 1, now Charlemont, That they are deprived of about two thousand acres of Land by the West Line of Colrain being pitched down before the Surveyor had run out the length of Line he had given in for the North Line of Charlemont. And praying for an equivalent. (See Ward, Clarke and Storer Grants Chapter 11.)

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The particular Lots (in the Ward, Clarke and Storer Grants) are bounded as follows: Clarks and Storers North on the South line of Charlemont, South partly on Wards Farms and partly on Greene's and Pierce's Farm West by Pason's Land or Town, East by Dana, White's and Wilder's.

Ward's Farms bound north partly by the farm last described of Clarks and Storers and partly by Dana's, White's & Wilder's, South, and East it bounds by Province Lands, West by Doctor Green's & Pierce's Lot. Doctor Green and



Pierce's Lot bounds on the West, Pason's Town so called, East by Wards Lot or Farm, South by Province Land, North by Clarke's and Storer's Lot or Farm. Dana's, White's & Wilder's lot laid East of Clark's & Storer's, Bounds West by it South, by Wards, East by Mr. Othniel Taylor's and North by the South line of Charlemont; the lines are all well marked, and it is laid down by a Scale of 200 perch to one inch.

Signed.      Silvanus Rice, Surveyor  
                 Thomas Williams, Justice Peace.

and Sworn before ———

(Read and)

Resolved; That the within Plan of three thousand Acres including the several Divisions, delineated & described therein be accepted, and hereby is confirmed to Hezekiah Ward and Others, Assignees of the Town of Boston, their Heirs and Assigns in full satisfaction for their several losses of Land in the Town of Charlemont by the running of the Lines of Colrain. Provided that it doth not exceed the quantity of three thousand Acres, nor interfere with any former Grant. (Passed June 8.)

In 1774 (Chapter 86), the following order and petition appear:

A Petition of Asaph White, agent for the Town of Charlemont, Setting forth that there are three thousand acres of Land, adjoining on the South side of Said Town, granted to Hezekiah Ward and others for their loss of Land in Charlemont by the running of Colrain line. That the settlers on those Lands refuse to pay Taxes in said Town because they do not belong thereto. And praying that the aforementioned Grant of 3,000 acres of Land may be annexed to Charlemont.

Read and it appearing that the settlers on the Land mentioned in this petition have been notified agreeable to the Order of the two Houses on the 21st of June last and no answer being made.

Ordered that the prayer thereof be granted, and that the Tract of Land containing three thousand acres, bounded as by the plan thereof, confirmed by the General Court the 8th June, 1767, to Hezekiah Ward and others, will appear, be and hereby is annexed to the Town of Charlemont in the County of Hampshire, together with the inhabitants who now dwell or that may hereafter dwell thereon, who shall be subjected to do duty and entitled to receive privileges as other Inhabitants of the said Town to all intents and purposes whatsoever.

[Passed February 4.]

Since Hezekiah above named is an ancestor of mine, I have been tempted to delete that he refused to pay his tax, but upon reflection I have come to the conclusion that his associates out-voted him.

I am unable to determine the date and place of the first town meeting of the Town of Buckland. Samuel Taylor was the first town clerk, but we have no record of other town officers.

It is evident that Buckland did not rank high among her close neighbors during the remaining years of the war. For comparison I note that in four calls for men for the army, Buckland was called to furnish only seven men, while Ashfield's quota was given as thirty-four, Conway's quota was given as thirty-nine, Colrain's was given as twenty-five and Shelburne's thirty-one.

In 1780, Buckland was required to furnish 1488 pounds of beef, Ashfield 8,203, Shelburne, 10,312, Conway, 12,638, Colrain, 7,453 and Charlemont, 4,465.

The first member of the General Court was Captain Thompson Maxwell in 1783, and he was representative again in 1787, and all other years up to 1796. Samuel Taylor was representative in the years in which a representative was sent.

It appears to have been the custom of the General Court in assessing a state tax to assess the members salary upon the several towns separately, and the story has been handed down to me that Buckland sometimes voted not to send a representative and save the money for the same. I wonder, if this custom were in vogue now and each town or district were assessed to pay for the compensation of its members, whether the recent salary bill would have gone through as smoothly as it did. On petition of Charlemont it was found that Charlemont had continued to be assessed and taxed upon land in Buckland and on petition of Samuel Taylor, Esq., the legislature resolved that the town of Buckland pay 4,886 pounds, 18 shillings and 5 pence, old currency, apportioned on Charlemont, and 20 pounds, 6 shillings and 5 pence of the silver tax and also procure 688 pounds of beef for the Continental Army.

It may seem that the tax for Buckland to pay was a severe tax but the legislature by an act passed in May 7, 1780, enacted that one dollar in specie was equal to forty dollars in currency in which Buckland had to pay. Indeed the story of those years was a story of depleted currency in which the General Court



had to back it up by various arbitrary measures. Besides establishing the value of paper money it also made it a criminal offense for anyone having goods to sell to refuse to take the paper currency of the day. In order that the army might be fed the General Court also "Hooverized" the various towns through their selectmen to stop all traffic or transportation outside the state in beef, pork, salt and rum, and there being no constitutional liberty league in that day, or Bar Association, they seem to have gotten away with it. It appears that Buckland about this time or a little later was fined 74 pounds for failure to furnish one soldier of its quota. Massachusetts was required to furnish for the army for the ensuing campaign by an act of March 22, 1780, 56,000 hundred weight of beef, 12,126 bushels of salt, and 195,628 gallons of rum.

#### BUCKLAND TOWN MEETINGS

Owing to the fire in 1876, the records of the town from its organization were destroyed, rendering it impossible to give a list of the town officers or records of town meetings. It seems to be settled that Samuel Taylor was town clerk until 1820 and that the subsequent clerks were John Porter, Amos Shepard, Ezra Howes, William Sherwin, Ebenezer Maynard, Josiah W. Griswold, Samuel L. Bardwell, Samuel Tobey, R. L. Packard, Clifton McKnight, and Albert C. Bray who has held the office for thirty-five years. This shows that one-half of the entire one hundred and fifty years, the office was held by the first and last incumbents. Bray hopes to persuade his fellow-townsmen to continue him for twenty-five to fifty years longer.

When the present Congregational church at Buckland Center was built, a vestry was included for the use of the town in holding its town meetings. I recall the "pen," for such it looked like to me, as a boy, in which the moderator stood and the three selectmen and town clerk sat, separated from the rest of the people. I was allowed as quite a small boy by my somewhat strict father to take in the town meetings and no lad at any circus ever found greater enjoyment than did I at those meetings. They were typical of the average town meetings in that they were the purest example of democracy the world has seen. No man was so humble as to be denied the right of speech and



no one excelled his fellows in the use of that privilege. From what I had learned from my elders and from what I saw, I know that Buckland did not lack orators although they might lack some of the cultivation of the present time.

Schools and highways were the burning topics of discussion and I used to enjoy hearing criticism and praise (mostly criticism) of the men in office in those days. One statement I have never forgotten, made by a veteran in the east district, coming after a somewhat long and bitter arraignment of the highways in his district, when he exclaimed in closing "Why Sir, the wild beasts of the forest would not travel therein."

As the population of Buckland increased, the vestry was not fitted to hold the people gathered at the annual town meetings and standing room only was the rule.

As I look back upon those days I wonder at the order that was kept by the various moderators under such conditions. Later the town meetings were held in the village of Shelburne Falls and sittings were available for all, until the advent of our numerous new voters, made possible by Woman Suffrage.

I think it must be settled as a fact that our town meetings are lacking in picturesqueness and thorough discussion of the questions of the day, and reports are accepted and various sums of money voted with little or no discussion.

This can be partly accounted for from the fact that reports of town meetings and warrants for town meetings are printed and placed in the hands of voters a week before the town meeting, so that whatever discussion is given is usually on the street corners instead of in the town meeting.

### HIGHWAYS

As suggested above, highways were topics of discussion in early town meetings but methods employed, it must be confessed, did not give very good roads. It is only in recent years that more scientific treatment of our roads has been given. In the early years no money was appropriated for winter roads. The farmer turned out with his oxen and broke his own roads with plow fastened to his sled. All this is now changed and as much attention is given to winter roads as to roads in summer. In summer the tax-payer was allowed to work out his road tax

and too often he would appear with only a hoe to lean upon. In the place of the man with the hoe, the town had trucks, tractors, graders and snow plows that take care of her roads. She has a hard surface road extending from Shelburne town line, through the center of the town to Ashfield and also a partly hard surfaced road to the town line in Conway. In the last ten years Buckland has expended for highways \$140,500.

### SCHOOLS

I quote from the History of the Connecticut Valley published fifty years ago, the following:

Nothing definite concerning the early schools can be given. Districts were formed soon after the town was organized, and an unusual degree of interest was manifested in early times, the schools being well attended and the instruction for those times, thorough. At present the interest is not so great, and the amount appropriated per scholar attending the schools falls below that of most towns in the county. In 1876 the number of children of school age—between five and fifteen years—was 421. Of this number 310 were in the Shelburne Falls district. The average attendance was 326; the entire cost, \$2448.

I fear the indictment contained in the foregoing quotation as regards Buckland's public schools of fifty years ago will have to be accepted as just. But in recent years Buckland has been alive to the value of its public schools and in the past ten years has appropriated an average of \$26,500 per year. We also gather from the school report that of the graduates from her common schools, over ninety per cent have entered high school. A school nurse and school physician are employed by the town to guard the health of the children.

### CHURCHES

The early settlers of Buckland were long dependent on the neighboring towns for their religious instruction, many belonging to the churches in Charlemont and Ashfield, and a few to the Shelburne church. But in October 1785, the Congregational church at Buckland Center was formed with the following membership: Samuel Taylor, Lemuel Taylor, Thompson Maxwell, James Butler, Enos Taylor, Elias Carter, Tertius Taylor, Josiah

Brown, Nathan Brackett, Jonathan Brackett, Anna Carter, Sybil Maxwell, Martha Johnson, Sarah Butler, Eunice Taylor, Deborah Carter, Susannah Brown, Hannah Brackett, and Samuel Carter.

The church was first supplied with preaching by Reverends Jacob Sherwin of Ashfield, and Jonathan Leavitt of Heath, but on the 15th of October 1794, the Reverend Josiah Spaulding was installed the first pastor, and remained with the church until his death May 8, 1823. The next pastor, Reverend Benjamin F. Clarke, was ordained in 1824 and dismissed in 1839. The third pastor was the Reverend Preston Cummings, who was installed in 1840 and remained until 1847. Reverend Asa B. Smith was installed in 1848 and remained until 1859. The Reverend Preston Cummings became pastor and served in that capacity until 1863. In 1864 the Reverend Charles Lord was pastor until his death in 1872. In 1873 the Reverend C. L. Guild was pastor. He was pastor for eight years, followed by Reverend A. C. Hodges who was pastor for sixteen years. He was followed by my good friend Reverend Edward A. Robinson, who was pastor for six years, Reverend John D. Waldron, six years, Reverends Willis, Moulton, Stacy, Crosby, Rose, Snow and the present pastor, Reverend J. V. Harrison.

#### BAPTIST CHURCH

In 1779, Chapter 62, the following act was passed:

An act to incorporate a number of the inhabitants of the Towns of Ashfield and Buckland, in the County of Hampshire, into a religious society, by the name of "The United Baptist Church & Society, In Ashfield & Buckland."

Sect. 1st. Be it enacted by the Senate & House of Representatives, in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, that Enos Smith, Josiah Drake, Jehiel Drake, Ephraim Jennings, Aaron Lyon Junr., Elijah Steele, Abraham Savage, Reuben Ware, Edward Annable, Elisha Smith, Japhet Chapin, John Blackmer, Nathan Lyon, Elihu Vebber, John Vebber, Nathan Cook, Josiah Cook, William Putnam, Oliver May, Eli Fuller, Darius Grant, William Jones, Michael Ware, Jr., Nathaniel Kellogg, James Reniff, John Ellis, Josiah Drake the third, Caleb Ward, Peter Booth, Amos Carr, Samuel Elmer, Samuel Annabel, Doctor Phillips, Cephas Cross, John Loomis, Roger Brownson, Joshua Rogers, Moses Ward, James Leland, Chileab Smith, Isaac Shepard,



Josiah Cobb, Samuel Shepard, Isaac Shepard, Jr., Apollos Williams, David Lyon, Gad Elmer, Jeduthan Smith, El-nathan Ellis, Abiezur Perkins, Chileab Smith, Jr., Freeman Ellis, Israel Standish, Vespasian Phillips, Thomas Phillips, Aaron Lyon, Elijah Tobey, Chileab Smith the third and Henry Alden, members of the said religious Society, together with such others, as may hereafter associate with them, they & their polls and estates, be, & they are hereby incorporated, by the name of "The United Baptist Church & Society, in Ashfield & Buckland," with all the powers, privileges, rights and immunities, which Parishes are entitled to by the Constitution & Laws of this Commonwealth.

Sect. 2d. Be it further enacted, That any person in the said towns of Ashfield & Buckland, of the denomination aforesaid, who may at any time hereafter, actually become a Member of, and unite in religious worship with said Society in said Ashfield & Buckland, & give in his or her name to the clerk of the town or parish, to which he or she belongs, with a Certificate, signed by the minister or Clerk of the said Society, that he or she has actually become a member of & United in religious worship, with the said "United Baptist Church & Society in Ashfield & Buckland," fourteen days previous to the town or parish meeting therein, to be held in the Month of March or April annually, shall, from & after giving such certificate, with his or her polls and estate, be considered, as a member of said Society: Provided however, That such person shall be held to pay his or her proportion of all monies assessed or voted in the town or Parish, to which he or she belonged previous to that time.

Sect. 3d. Be it further enacted, That when any member of said Society, shall see cause to leave the same, & unite in religious worship with any other religious Society in the town or parish, in which he or she may live, and shall give in his or her name to the Clerk of the said Baptist religious Society, with a certificate, signed by the minister or clerk of the Parish, or other incorporated religious Society, with which he or she may unite, that he or she hath actually become a Member of, and United in religious worship with such other Parish, or other incorporated religious Society, fourteen days previous to their annual meeting in March or April, and shall pay his or her proportion, of all monies voted in said Society, to be raised previous thereto, shall, from and after giving such certificate, with his or her polls & estates, be considered as a member of the Society, to which he or she hath so united.

Sect. 4th. And be it further enacted, That Ephraim Williams, Esquire, be, & he is hereby authorized to issue his warrant, directed to some principal member of the said

Society, requiring him to warn the Members of the said Society, qualified to vote in Parish affairs, to assemble, at some suitable time and Place in said town of Ashfield, to choose such officers, as Parishes are by law required to choose in the Month of March or April annually, and to transact all matters & things necessary to be done in said Society.

It appears from fragmentary records that a meeting was held to organize a Baptist Church in Buckland ten years preceding this act of the legislature. It appears that the first church building erected under this act was in that part of Ashfield known as Baptist Corner which name by the way, is still retained in that section, although the church has long ceased to be. It also appears that a second building was erected in East Buckland about 1800 near the home formerly of Nelson Drake, but this was retained only a few years, when its members returned to the church at Baptist Corner from which they had seceded. A society was formed at the Center in 1828. Preaching ceased about 1853. The church building stood upon land just west of the present Wayside Inn and was taken down in 1868 and removed to Ashfield Plain.

#### BUCKLAND CENTER METHODIST CHURCH

It appears probable that the Methodist preaching in Buckland was in private houses in what is known as High Street in the western part of the town. There was preaching also in the East District school house for some time. In 1828 these two services were united and a church erected in the lower part of Buckland Center where the residence of Dean Fairbanks now stands. In 1850 a meeting house was built on the upper street and a service was maintained there until 1887 when preaching was discontinued and the property given back to the lessor, Josiah W. Griswold. In 1890 it was purchased from him for the public library. The building was removed to the rear of the Congregational church and is now the Grange Hall, and a brick, fireproof library building was erected in its place.

#### METHODIST CHURCH AT SHELBURNE FALLS

The Shelburne Falls Methodist Episcopal church has its house of worship on the Buckland side, the membership of the church



being from both towns. It was organized in the fall of 1842, with twelve members. Their first meeting house was built about this time, and was destroyed by the great fire, July 22, 1876. A two story frame building was built in its place and occupied as a church until 1906, when it was sold to the Town of Buckland and has since been occupied by them as town hall, and town officers' rooms. The present church was then erected and has since been occupied by that society. This church is given the name of the William Butler Memorial Church in honor of a former pastor, William Butler. The present pastor is Reverend Reginald B. Nichols.

#### ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

More than seventy-five years ago the scattered Catholic population of this district was occasionally attended by priests from Holyoke, Northampton and North Adams, and those who lived fifty years ago well remember the services of Father Robinson of Greenfield. In 1883, the Reverend John F. Lee became the first resident pastor, his parish lines reaching as at present from Greenfield to North Adams. In 1887, when Father Jeannotte came to take charge Mass was said in the houses of the people, in that of Mr. Meehan, Mr. O'Brien and Mr. Farren. As the congregation increased, the people went to "Whitney Hall," "Union Hall," and "Odd Fellow's Hall," until the erection of the present St. Joseph's church, which with the parochial residence was finished by Father Balthasard in 1895. Since then the priests of St. Joseph's church have continued to serve the interests of Colrain, Charlemont and Hawley, and it might be interesting to know that the parish lines cover 366 square miles. The following have served as pastors: Reverends John F. Lee, Agapit Legris, C. H. Jeannotte, Joseph Allard, Wilfred Balthasard, James F. Galvin, M. A. Desrochers, A. G. Brousseau, L. Geoffrey, Edward L. Judge, Dennis Sullivan, John McMahon, John J. Keating and John J. Foran. The Reverend Edmund F. Curran is at present assistant pastor, succeeding Father Burns two years ago.

#### BUCKLAND MILITARY RECORD

Owing to its incorporation late in the War for Independence as a town, Buckland did not have many men in that war. At the close of the Revolution towns were required by law to main-



tain general training every week and with groups of other towns six or eight times a year. Every town must have its gun house and powder house. The gun house at Buckland stood just east of the church near or in the old cemetery and the powder was stored in the church. There appears to have been no fear that the preaching of the day would ignite the powder. Anyhow as they had no stoves, or other heat, except what foot stoves would afford, it doubtless was a safe storage house. There was a Buckland Company until 1845 when it was removed to Shelburne Falls and disbanded in 1847. The old training days and the military glory of Buckland were a large part of its life during the first period of its history. The musters were held at the common in front of the church and were made a gala day by the inhabitants. All the more a gala day because the total abstinence movement had not made its appearance. I quote from a record in the Greenfield Centennial Gazette, "But with the progress of the total abstinence movement one of the chief attractions of the 'good old times' disappeared, and more important interests supplanted the militia companies in popular favor."

It seems to have been the rule that once a captain, a man was always a captain and once major he was always major, so that long after training days were over we had Major Taylor, Major Griswold and Captain Wilder, Captain Johnson, Captain Putnam and Captain Maynard. This last named lived among us until 1885. I knew him well and never heard him called by any other name than Captain Maynard. He was "Captain" until his death.

Massachusetts was not enthusiastic in support of the general government in the War of 1812. By the messages of her governors and acts of legislature it is revealed that she thought the war was uncalled for. There appear to have been no volunteers from Buckland in that war although Moses Nelson was drafted to go to Boston and afterwards was a pensioner. The town clerk of Gill claims that Gill was the only town in Franklin County that sent a volunteer. The accuracy of the statement I am unable to verify. In the Civil War the situation was different. I quote again from the Greenfield Gazette, "In 1861, the common was again filled with soldiers, this time not for pleasure, but in stern and solemn earnest."

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(Here follows the same accounts taken from the state archives that are already given under the account of the Civil War to which chapter the reader is referred.)

I was a lad of eleven years when the war broke out and I used to attend the public meetings held to encourage enlistment and I well remember the earnestness and excitement of the first year of the war. The people of that time little realized the seriousness of the conflict then beginning. Later quotas for towns were established and drafts were ordered in case of failure to fill them. My recollection is that Buckland furnished substitutes for men drafted in case they did not wish to enter the service.

Mr. Griswold in his historical address of fifty years ago said of the Civil War, "I am not going to harrow your feelings by expressing any opinion in regard to the late struggle; the time has not come for that. It will take a century from the close of the war to settle this question correctly in the light of history. I will only say that slavery is forever abolished on our soil, and we are a nation, and may God grant that we never drift into an empire. War is a terrible calamity, and leaves in its train moral degradation and enormous taxes, but we hope we are slowly coming back to prosperity. The soldier has had enough of war, and is glad to return to the peaceable pursuits of life; once a year he rests from his labor; and how beautiful and appropriate it is for him to go and decorate the graves of his companions in arms, and in the revolving years his grave will also be decorated."

The last fifty years has proven that we are a united nation and in the recent World War there was no north or south.

I used to hear letters read from the boys at the front and they were not always stories of hardships although many of them were, but they also revealed a sense of humor cropping out when given a chance. My Aunt Betsey, by marriage, had two brothers in the war, one Eliphaz Woodward, who was in the Massachusetts 10th regiment and the other Wesley Woodward who was in the Massachusetts 27th regiment. I doubt if these brothers wrote to one another directly, but through my aunt they did some sparring and I was privileged to hear the letters read. Each was boasting the superiority of his own regiment. After the battle of Fair Oaks in which the 10th regiment was severely handled, Eliphaz wrote to my aunt, "Tell Wesley



that the 10th regiment broke three times under fire and reformed. Ask my brother Wesley what he thinks of that." In due time Wesley's answer came back, "You tell our brother that that was doing pretty well for the Massachusetts 10th regiment, but give me the old 27th regiment that never breaks ranks."

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(For the list of those serving in the World War, which appears here, see Chapter on World War.)

#### LOSSES BY FIRE AND FLOOD

Two serious fires should be recorded as occurring in Buckland. One in 1864, when the Lamson and Goodnow Cutlery buildings were burned and the other, the fire of 1876, which destroyed all the property between Clement and Williams Streets. This included a hotel known as the Woodward House and Anawansett block in which the town office and records were burned, Newell Brothers store underneath, the Methodist church, and a dwelling house on Wellington Street which was the home at one time of Ira Arms.

The great flood of 1869 caused damage the entire length and breadth of the town. Roads were washed out badly, not a bridge was standing on Clesson's River and the bridge at Shelburne Falls was carried away. This bridge was a wooden bridge and was replaced by an iron bridge. I recall a contest in town meeting over the question of whether an iron bridge should be built or a wooden one and the "iron men" won. The iron bridge proved not to be a good pattern and it collapsed after a few years and was replaced by the present iron bridge in 1890.

The valuation of Buckland reported in 1785 showed thirty dwelling houses, 104 acres of tillage, 186 acres of mowing, 8,144 acres of unimproved, fifty horses and colts, 197 oxen and cattle, 121 cows and 136 swine. The valuation reported in 1829 was \$151,507.50, and in 1879 it was \$482,950.

The valuation list of Buckland in 1929 is 364 houses, 11,741 acres of land, 142 horses, 422 cows, and other neat animals 199.

In 1928 the legislature changed the tax laws removing automobiles from the personal property tax and taxing them as an excise tax. Under this excise tax Buckland has to date taxed 330 automobiles and trucks with a total tax of \$2,817.11.



## MANUFACTURING INTERESTS

Mr. Griswold in his address of fifty years ago says "that in point of fact in his earliest recollections the south part of the town carried on the most business." In the Greenfield Centennial Gazette it is stated that the first saw mill and grist mill were at the Mill-yard. There have been five other grist mills, eight other saw mills, seven turning shops for wooden ware and two for iron, two carding machines, two sash and blind factories, two wooden ware shops, two shops for grinding and polishing cutlery, three cider mills, four distilleries, two cloth dressing and fulling works, two handle factories, a trip hammer and forge, flax-dressing machinery, a bit-brace factory, a file shop, and a tannery. At the present time there is but one saw mill but one grist mill and all of these others have disappeared. The above mentioned saw and grist mill get their power from the Greenfield Electric Light and Power Company and there is not a dam on the entire stream.

The principle manufacturing interest at Shelburne Falls is the Lamson & Goodnow Company, manufacturers of fine cutlery. The plant was established about 1835. In 1851 the works on the Buckland side were first occupied. In 1865 these buildings were burned and were immediately rebuilt. The business is the manufacture of fine table cutlery. The management of the company remains in the Lamson family, being managed by a grandson of one of the Lamsons. They employ at the present time about 150.

The greatest financial developments, occurring in the last twenty-five years are the harnessing of the Deerfield River by the Greenfield Electric Light and Power Company and the New England Power Company with their hydro-electric plants. The valuation of the Greenfield Electric Light and Power Company is \$537,800, and the valuation of the New England Power Company is \$1,052,000, and the town valuation is \$2,696,572 mentioned above. These companies are valued at \$1,587,800.

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(Here follows the Civil list to which chapter reference is made.)

The history of the town would not be complete without including sketches of the men and women who have helped make history. First and foremost among them is Samuel Taylor, Esq.

An all-round citizen, holding town office more than forty years, surveyor, Justice of the Peace, (his commission as Justice of the Peace dated 1777 was signed by Samuel Adams). When the Colonial Assembly was dissolved by General Gage the members met in another place and called themselves the Provincial Congress. John Hancock was president and Samuel Adams, the leading spirit. Samuel Taylor was member from Charlemont, and for several years representative in the General Court from Charlemont and later from Buckland. In the acts of the General Court incorporating the towns of Heath and Rowe, he was directed to notify and warn the inhabitants to meet for the election of the first town officers. He was selected by the General Court as one of a commission of three, when a petition was presented to the Court saying that there was need of a road from the west line of Charlemont to Adams over the Hoosac River and a bridge across the Deerfield River. The Commission was to determine afterward if the bridges were well built and on the commission's warrant, payment was to be made. Samuel Taylor was ordered by the General Court to run the line between the Ward grant and the Cobbitt grant. Upon the running of that line sixteen acres were not assigned and the legislature voted to give him the sixteen acres upon the payment of fifteen pounds. In 1791 upon his petition the legislature passed the following act, Chapter 87:

Resolve on the Petition of Samuel Taylor, in Behalf of the Town of Buckland.

On the Petition of Samuel Taylor in behalf of the Town of Buckland, praying that a certain strip of unappropriated land lying within the incorporating line of said Town may be granted them for the use of Public Schools within said Town.

Resolved, That there be & hereby is granted to the Town of Buckland forever, all the interest, title, & claim of this Commonwealth to a certain Strip or tract of land bounded as followeth—(viz.) Beginning in Ashfield north line at the southwest corner of Buckland, thence running north nineteen degrees, east about fifty rods to the south west corner of Holden's grant, thence running east three degrees, north on the south line of Holden's and Wyman's Grant, and continuing the same Course to an angle in the south line of Sprague's Grant, one thousand and ten rods, thence east nineteen degrees south one hundred & sixty rods to Ashfield



north line, thence west three degrees north on said line one thousand one hundred & sixty rods to the first mentioned corner, containing three hundred & Seventy two Acres. On condition the land aforesaid or the principal of the money for which it shall be sold shall be kept unimpaired & appropriated to the use of supporting public Schools in said Town forever. And whereas several persons have settled & made some improvement on sd land;

Resolved, That all such persons be confirmed in their possessions, on making good security to the Treasurer of the Town of Buckland, or paying such sum in Specie as the Select-men of Ashfield shall adjudge the same to have been worth in its wild and uncultivated State at the several periods of time when the said possessors took possession thereof.

(February 21, 1792.)

The question mildly arises today what has become of this town school fund? I find the statement in the Greenfield Centennial Gazette that in 1839 the amount of the fund was \$900, but that since that time no record seems to be available. No one knows what became of it, but for years until very recently the town report has shown:

"Recieved from the town school fund, \$45." "Paid on account of schools, \$45." It is quite probable that this fund had never left the treasury of the town and it is also quite probable that in the stress of the Civil War this fund was used up.

There has just been handed me a document bearing date of 1781, a copy of which is herewith annexed:

At a town meeting held in Buckland on the 21 day of February, A. D. 1781. Whereas Samuel Taylor Exhibited an account against the Town by him. Charged for his Expence in his Journey to Boston the amount thereof Being three Hundred and Forty five pounds Sixteen Shillings. Said Account Being Duly Examined it is voted and ordered that the amount thereof be paid the Said Samuel Taylor out of the Town Treasury.

To Gardner Wilder, Town Treasurer of Buckland you are Required to pay the above amount to the Said Samuel Taylor.

Buckland, March 30 A.D. 1781

Philip Matthewson John Watkins	} Selectmen
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Samuel Taylor gave land in Buckland Center for the cemetery and also that for the common, the land for the school house and



that for the Congregational church. He held the rank of Captain in the militia during the Revolutionary War. He died September 5, 1837 at the age of 93.

Samuel Taylor had a large family of children and his descendants are scattered far and wide. I have only the space to mention some of those connected with Buckland history down to the present time. Lemuel, Roswell, Horace and George were leaders in church music. William F. Taylor was long time head of schools in Warren, Mass., and Samuel the third is now living in Buckland at the age of 82. Through the activity of the present Samuel Taylor the telephone line was first run to Buckland center and the first telephone was in his house.

Of the descendants of John Ward, your historian is the only descendant living in this vicinity. Alanson W. Ward, long in business in this village was his great-grandson. Kerley Ward's descendants now living in the town are Edgar H. Ward in Buckland Center and Hezekiah Ward of your Committee of Arrangements. I am also a descendant of Kerley Ward.

Captain Gardner Wilder, one of the earlier settlers, had a son, Gardner, who had been a member of the legislature and a descendant, Edmund G. Wilder, lives on the old homestead. Another descendant, Charles A. Wilder, lives on a farm northwest of Buckland Center. Captain Gardner Wilder was the town treasurer mentioned above in the year 1781.

Captain William Putnam leaves no residents of Buckland by that name. I knew his son Deacon William, living on what was known as Put's Hill to the south of Buckland Center, and his daughter Submit, who married Nuel Townsley. Her parents could not have foreseen her marked characteristic or they would not have given her the name of Submit. She, like her brother, Deacon William, was an ardent Baptist. Her home during the years of my childhood was the place now occupied by Linwood H. Elmer. This story is told, that a spring of water which supplied the house came from a spring from the land of the Congregational parsonage and it is said that seeing the Congregational minister drinking from the spring she charged him drinking Baptist water, to which he retorted, "It may be Baptist water, but it comes from a good Congregational spring." Fred R. Townsley of Apple Valley is a great-grandson of Submit and Mrs.

Lena Merriam of Buckland and Mrs. Jennie E. Patch of this village are her grandchildren.

Mr. Griswold in his historical address mentioned a mad dog scare in which one Charles White, the Mill yard miller was mentioned as a killer of the foresaid dog. His account says that he caught a gun from a wall, mounted a horse until they caught up with the dog and the dog fell dead. It seems clear that his descendants resident in this vicinity are Mrs. Herbert Newell and Charles E. White and his brother Frank.

Mr. Griswold also mentioned a school teacher, Mr. Daniel Forbes, whom the boys called "little holy Daniel." A story is told which bears testimony that the adjective was not misapplied. There had been some petty stealing in the neighborhood in which he resided and a Mr. Williams, father of the present William S. Williams told a certain neighbor that they had the thief narrowed down to one of two men, "either you or Daniel Forbes." The neighbor was irate; in speaking about it afterwards he said, "He might just as well told me I was the thief, because he knew damn well that Daniel Forbes would not steal."

Captain Josiah Johnson is mentioned as one of the early settlers in the north part of the town. Of his descendants I knew Oswin and Homer Johnson, who were living in what is now termed East Buckland. Oswin moved to Michigan and his only descendant in this vicinity is his grandson, Frank Mallory of this village. Homer's son Galen, lives on the old homestead.

An early settler, a man of some note in the town, was Enos Pomeroy. His daughter married Silas Trowbridge, whom I knew well. At the Centennial fifty years ago, Mr. Trowbridge responded to the toast "the old men of Buckland." He was for a long time deacon at the Congregational church at Buckland Center. I remember him well as passing the contribution box or rather an old stovepipe hat which had seen service. As he passed up the aisle with this hat, some youths, who shall be nameless, used to have zeal in contributing to the church and missionary enterprises. Their contributions consisted largely of the old copper cent which when it was dropped into the hat could be heard all over the church, reversing the old saying that "boys should be seen and not heard," for their contributions were heard and not seen. The deacon was wise and knew the motive prompting the contributions but not an expression of



his face would betray him. He leaves as a descendant Mrs. Ellecta P. Stratton ninety-three years old "(now one hundred and one), of this village."

Deacon John Porter is another man who occupied a large place in Buckland's history. I knew him in his later days as postmaster in the little house now occupied by the Warfields. He was a school-master and Buckland's only representative in the Governor's Council. His career can best be summed up by a quotation from Reverend Washington Nichols' poem:

"John Porter was a man, all manhood to  
The core, yet he could also be a boy  
When such would best befit the circumstance.  
The trusts committed to him, sacredly  
He held. The office was the greater for  
The officer who filled it full, and well.  
As teacher of the youth, and leader in  
The choir, and deacon of the church, as one  
In military life,—selectmen of  
The town,—as legislative member of  
The House, and privy counselor of State;  
In one, in all, he was at home, and served  
The people and his country ever well."

He was a member of the House of Representatives in 1829, in 1831, in 1838 and again in 1846, and a member of the Governor's Council in 1848.

I can see him now as president of the village Lyceum when he would say, if there was the least bit of disorder, "Let the members observe the utmost decorum."

Another name prominent down to the present time in Buckland is that of Griswold. About 1785 Elias Griswold came from Connecticut with five sons, one of whom, Joseph, remained in town. He became major in the early militia and from that time was known as Major Griswold. He represented Franklin County in the State Senate. He built the brick house, now the home of a great-grandson, Gilbert E. Griswold. He was State Senator in 1843, representative to the General Court, 1829, 1830, 1831 and again in 1841. He had a large family of children many of whom became noted. One son, Wayne, was a successful doctor in Circleville, Ohio. Whiting Griswold, political leader, teacher in the public schools, practiced law in Greenfield where he died. Honorable Joseph Griswold, who built up the mills in Griswold-



ville, Colrain, and who was the historian fifty years ago at the Buckland Centennial. Another son, Josiah W. Griswold was prominent in town affairs, town clerk for a time, many years selectman, member of the legislature in 1855 and delegate to the convention in 1853 for the revision of the State Constitution. He was a forceful public speaker when he could be persuaded to use his talent in that direction. His only living child is Mrs. Wallace Nutting of Framingham, Mass. His son, Emerson J. Griswold, was for a long time selectman of Buckland and his grandson, Gilbert E. Griswold, has been selectman for the past five years. The manufacturing company organized by Joseph Griswold in Colrain is still managed by his descendants.

Thomas Orcutt came to Buckland in the last century, was farmer by occupation, many times selectman of the town, held the office of selectman during the trying times of the Civil War, and died in 1872 on the farm which he assembled from many parcels. His son, Baxter A., was born on the same farm, lived and died there and the farm passed out of the Orcutt family this year.

Zenas Graham ran the tannery at Buckland Center. He had two daughters mentioned thus by Bushnell White in his letter read at the Centennial: "Laura was once a teacher of mine. Her sister Mary was a beautiful girl, and a great favorite." Laura married Samuel Perkins and her daughter is still living in Buckland, the wife of Samuel Taylor, third.

Jacob Whiting came early to Buckland where he married in 1798, Lydia, daughter of Lieutenant William Putnam. Jacob died in 1836. He had a son, Welcome, who lived about two miles south of Buckland Center many years. He died at the home of his son, Joseph, in Shelburne Falls, in 1882. His son Joseph was prominent in town affairs in his day, having been selectman for several years. Joseph Whiting's children were Susie, wife of Albert C. Bray, town clerk of Buckland; Charles Whiting, who died in Northampton a few years ago; Edgar Whiting, a jeweler in Pittsfield; and his granddaughter Maude Elmer, who is a teacher in Seattle, Wash. A daughter Susan married Captain Josiah Richmond. Their children will be mentioned in the Richmond line.

Daniel Bement was an early settler in Buckland and we have a record of his marriage to Dorcas Dodge of Deerfield, dated

1811. He was active in church affairs. His son Ezekiel E. Bement was born, lived and died in Buckland, was a prominent citizen, active in church and town affairs many years selectman and represented Buckland in the General Court in 1876. His children reside in South Dakota.

Zephaniah Richmond was an early resident of Buckland. His son, Captain Josiah A. Richmond, was prominent in the business life of the town. He married Susan Whiting, daughter of Welcome Whiting, mentioned above. He had sons, Frank and Waldo E., both deceased. Frank Richmond married Grace Backwell of Buckland. Frank's daughters, Beth and Mrs. Ethel R. Spicer, are living in Shelburne Falls. A daughter of Captain Richmond, Susan Richmond married Fred Main, now living in Springfield, Mass. Nellie, another daughter, married George D. Eldridge, longtime resident of this village. They had two sons, Ralph J. Eldridge of Brattleboro, Vt., and Philip R. Eldridge, member of the firm of Jenks and Amstein.

Of the physicians located in Buckland, mention should be made of Dr. Josiah Trow, who was a physician from 1851 until his death in 1890. He was a good specimen of the old country physician, in that he never hesitated to respond to a call, no matter what the condition of the roads or weather. I knew him well and have known of his faithfulness in this respect. When roads were not as good as at the present time and winter roads were badly kept, he would respond to a call in the daytime or at night and, if need be, call up the neighbors to open up the roads for him. He was active in church affairs, but never sought public office, and was the type of country physician that the hill towns of Franklin County sadly miss. His grandson, Charles W. Trow, owns and occupies the old homestead. Mary Trow, daughter of Charles Trow, won first prize in the essay contest of school children of Buckland for the best essay on Buckland. Her essay will be read today.

There came from Heath in 1867 to Buckland, Henry L. Warfield, who immediately took rank as one of our most valued citizens. As a school teacher he taught in our public schools, was a member of the school-board for many years, a representative to the General Court, and until his death was active in the life of the church. He left a son now living in Buckland, Fred L. Warfield, and a son, Arthur, living in West Brookfield. His



daughter Ella married Francis W. Trow, son of Dr. Trow and father of the above-mentioned Charles W. Trow.

Mr. Griswold in his address fifty years ago, stated that there were but four houses in Shelburne Falls when he left Buckland, one of them being near the bend in the river, owned by John Nims. Two of his descendants are Mrs. Rhoda Marden and Mrs. B. V. Eddy, both of this village.

Spencer Woodward was an early settler, coming to Buckland in 1790. He had sons, Eliphaz and Job. The children of Eliphaz were Eliphaz, Spencer, Wesley and Windsor. Eliphaz, Wesley and Windsor were veterans of the Civil War. Children of Spencer Woodward are Mrs. Henry B. Wells now living in Buckland; a son, Nelson Woodward of this village; and Robert Strong Woodward, the artist, who is a grandson. A daughter of Wesley, Mrs. Effie Dodge is also living in this village. Job Woodward, son of Spencer, well known in his day, had as descendants, now living in Shelburne Falls, a granddaughter, Mrs. Anna Page, secretary of the Sesqui-Centennial Committee; and Mrs. Lizzie M. Wood, also a granddaughter. Zophar Woodward belonging to the same family came to Buckland in 1854. He was for many years selectman of the town and his son, Merton Z. Woodward is postmaster in Shelburne Falls, having held that position for over thirty years.

Another name connected with the early history of the town was that of Sherwin. William Sherwin was several times elected representative to the General Court and also town clerk. He was engaged as a manufacturer of clocks at what is called Clock Hollow. My grandfather, Zur Hitchcock, kept the country store in Buckland Center. I have an old ledger of his and I find entered an account with William Sherwin, in which he was credited with two hundred clocks at three dollars per clock (and a note to balance the account of two hundred and seventeen dollars, which indicates that he was either a good customer or a poor customer). His son William F. Sherwin was noted in musical circles as a writer of hymns. He had a part in the Centennial exercises of fifty years ago, responding to the toast "The music and musicians of olden times." He wrote the words and music of the Centennial hymn, entitled "The days of long ago."

A story of the men and women of the last fifty years would be incomplete without mention of James D. Avery. He came to



Buckland from Charlemont in 1872 and immediately took front rank in the business life of the town, many times selectman, rendering valuable service as an assessor, a county commissioner for many years, a successful business man and responding generously to every call for financial aid. He died in 1922. He left a son, F. Dean Avery, a civil engineer in Greenfield.

Another citizen deserving of mention is George D. Crittenden who was born in Hawley, came early to Buckland, was prominent in business life as a lumber dealer actively interested in town affairs, was selectman and a member of the school-committee. In recognition of his service the Buckland school in the village of Shelburne Falls is given the name of Crittenden school. For a long time he presided at the town meetings as moderator. He was also a member of the General Court from Buckland.

There came from Germany one Hugo Mann, who was a valuable citizen until his death. He was interested in church and school, and for a long time was on the school-board. He was a member of the legislature, an earnest Republican, and active in the party in this vicinity.

Other citizens of German descent were: Andrew Sauer, veteran of the Civil War, long time merchant in Shelburne Falls; selectman for several years, member of the school-committee until his death; and the Amstein brothers,—Albert Amstein, a merchant in Shelburne Falls, selectman for several years and at his death, treasurer of the Shelburne Falls Fire District; William Amstein now a merchant in Shelburne Falls, and Andrew Amstein, also in business, a partner in the firm of Jenks and Amstein, shoe dealers.

The story of the men and women of Buckland would be far from complete without mentioning the name of Mary Lyon. It is not my purpose to dwell at length upon her valuable service to her sex. A tablet in the Congregational church at Buckland Center has the record, "Mary Lyon born 1797, baptised in this church, 1822, founded Mount Holyoke Seminary, 1837, died 1849." In Reverend Washington Nichols' poem read at the one hundredth anniversary, we find these words: "The public schools in early days contained but little we can praise \* \* \* But girls as scholars passed right well if they could read and write and spell \* \* \* \* She was pupil in the public schools of Buckland and also teacher." I remember memorizing at Thanksgiving \* \*

when I was a small lad—a poem which read something like this, “Come home from the colleges, ye mirth loving youths, Come home from the factory, Ann, Katy and Ruth.” Mary Lyon was pioneer in the field of advanced education for girls and the Anns, Katys and Ruths of the present day would be quite apt to come home from college instead of factory. I believe it to be true that more girls than boys attend our high schools. While schools and colleges for girls cover the land, the credit will ever remain to Mary Lyon as the pioneer in woman’s education.

As I near the time allotted me for this paper there comes to me troops of names of men worthy of mention,—such as Asabel C. Hawks, tidy farmer, selectman, quietly efficient in all that he undertook. My childhood recollections of Palmer Ware are pleasant, since he permitted me to ride back and forth on the saw-carriage in the saw mill which he owned at Buckland Center. His two sons are living in this village,—Henry W. Ware, coal dealer, and Herbert P. Ware, a lawyer.

Lyman Wood was an early settler living at the “Four Corners.” Among his children were Theodore Wood, a long time jeweller in this village, E. E. Wood, manufacturer of cutlery at Northampton, and E. Wellington Wood, whom we used to call “Duke,” a merchant in Easthampton. Theodore’s son, Juan C. Wood, is a jeweller in this village and his grandson, Frank S. Wood, is in business here.

A daughter of Lyman Wood, Evelyn, married Justus B. Frost, long prominent in business in Shelburne Falls.

Another name belonging to Buckland history is that of Emmons Pratt. His daughter Angeline, married the well remembered Pindar Cooley. She is now living in Pittsfield and is now the oldest living native of Buckland, being ninety-four years old. Another daughter, Katherine, married Enoch J. Stockwell, representative to the General Court and for many years a selectman of Shelburne.

The Carters were among the first settlers of Buckland. I do not know of the name among us today but from Hepsibah Carter, who married Edward S. Perkins, the Carter blood is transmitted to the numerous Perkins families in Shelburne Falls.

Asa Davis (Uncle Asa) was an early resident at the Center. His daughter married Josiah W. Griswold, he had four sons, Emory C., a civil engineer and County Commissioner of Hamp-



shire County; Edwin A., for many years member of the school committee of Buckland; Hiram, who moved to California; and Joshua T., millwright and carpenter, whose son George E. Davis is living in this village.

There are Elmers, Marchs, Spragues, Smiths and Mallorys, Caswells, Clarks, Ruddocks and Wileys, good citizens all.

The first post-office in Buckland was at the mill yard in the house now occupied by Morris Mitchell, and the first mail route was through Baptist Corner from Northampton. Henry Taylor was the first postmaster. The office was soon removed to the Center and the postmasters have been Joseph Hubbard, N. G. Trow, Ebenezer Maynard, Josiah Trow, Samuel Townsley, Henry Maynard, A. W. Ward, W. B. Caswell, John Porter, Samuel B. Taylor, Jonathan Temple, L. A. Bradford, E. C. Bradford, and H. L. Gould who is the present incumbent.

I remember when Buckland Center had but one mail a week. We depended upon the Gazette and Courier and the Springfield Republican for the news.

During the Civil War our men took turns in making daily trips to Shelburne Falls to get a daily paper with news from the front. I also remember a little group of women who were anxiously waiting because their loved ones were risking their lives in the Southland.

At the present time not over a half dozen homes are without daily delivery of mail, and strange to say these are within two miles of Shelburne Falls. Today every corner of Buckland has its telephone line and the radio brings to the remotest house the record of the day.

As I stated at the beginning of this paper, I responded to the toast "The young men of Buckland." Deacon Trowbridge, mentioned above, responded to the toast, "The old men of Buckland." The president of the day was Captain J. A. Richmond. Frederick Forbes was Marshall and others of the committee of arrangements were Graham K. Ward and J. B. Frost. The parade was led by the Greenleaf Guards commanded by Lieutenant Timothy C. Cronan. Of all those who had a part in the Centennial exercises only Lieutenant Cronan and myself are living. Lieutenant Cronan is able to lead a regiment if need be.

There comes to me the temptation to look forward to the 200th



anniversary of Buckland but this is not within the scope of this paper.

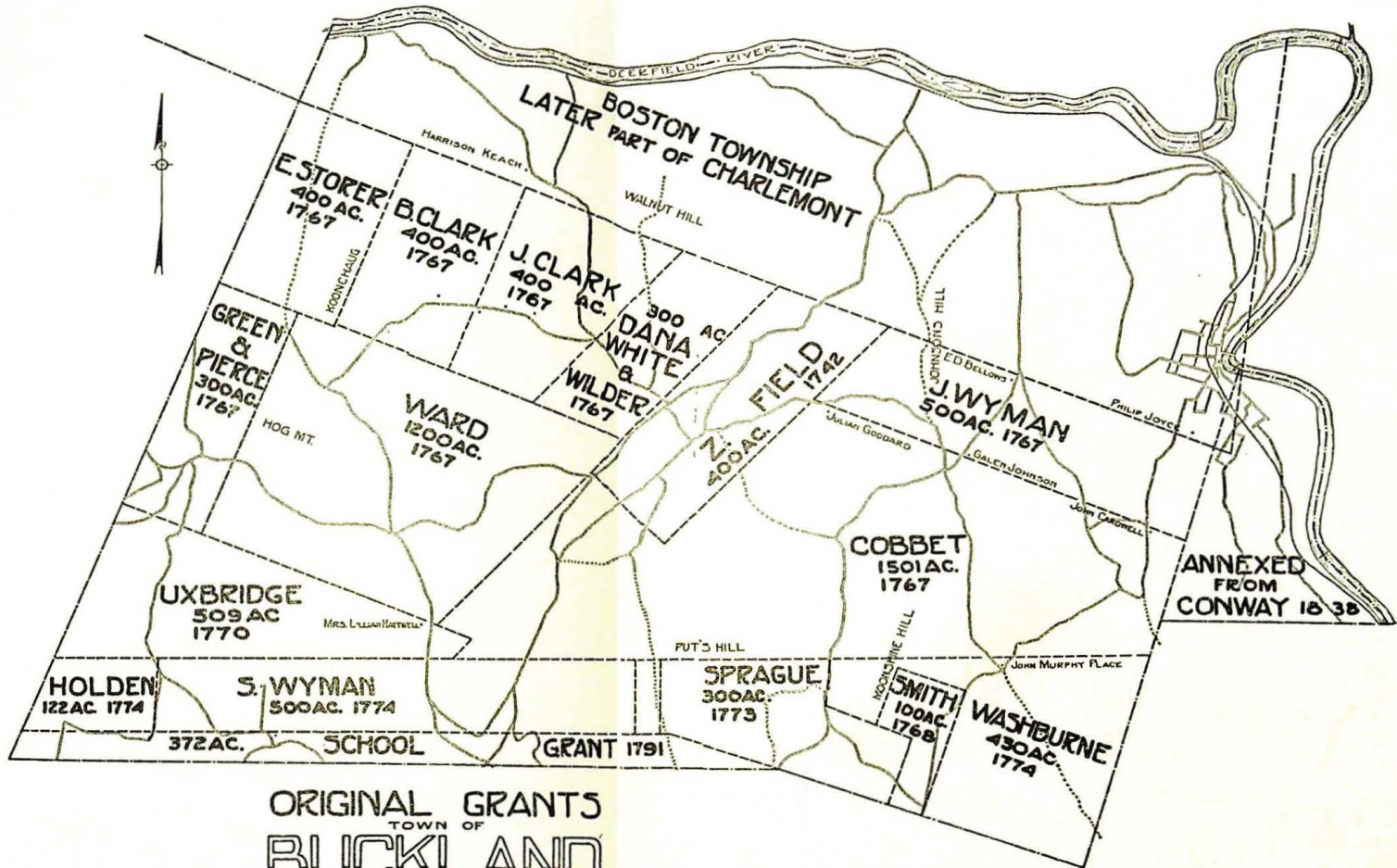
I am sure, however, that your historian fifty years hence will record same good citizenship as is recorded herein, not weakened, but rather strengthened by their greater advantages.

#### CONCLUSION

Even in the few years that have elapsed since Mr. Ward prepared and read the above paper in 1929, there have been many changes in the citizenry of the town and reference to the genealogical section will in many instances supplement the records of those whom he mentions.

The years since the Sesqui-Centennial celebration have been marked by the usual routine of life common to all localities. Hence this record of Buckland closes on the joyous note of that momentous event.

The book is closed, the pages clasped. As they are opened from time to time by those interested in the town, may thereon be found the pleasure, inspiration and knowledge that has become the precious possession of the author.

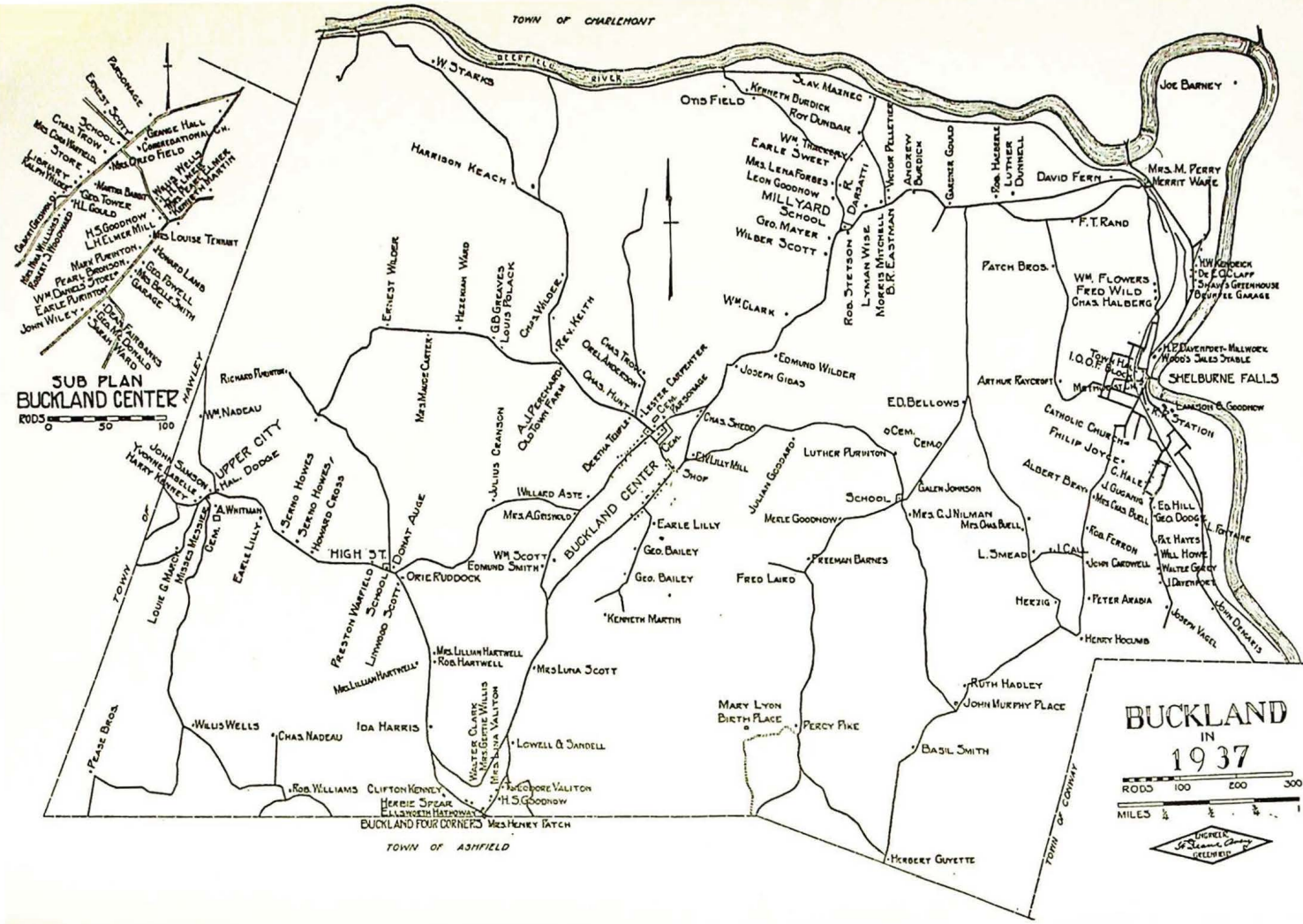


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## AN ADDENDUM

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### Explaining the Map Showing the Grants

There has never been a map available showing all the grants in Buckland and the accompanying one is an attempt to fill that gap. This was made by using as much of the recorded data as possible, but the distance across the town line along the Charlemont line is actually about seventy rods greater than the total of all the grants. It was, therefore, necessary to look up deeds and make some surveys in order to show the grant lines as actually established, and their location in relation to present roads and houses.

In these brief notes on land ownership, it is sometimes stated who is the present owner. In all cases the size and shape of the farm has changed, and it merely means that the present buildings are on a part of the original lot.

In 1736, when Deerfield included both Shelburne and Conway, and apparently the boundary lines had not been established, the proprietors of Boston received a grant of 23,040 acres known as "Boston Township No. 1." This included Charlemont, a part of Heath, Rowe, Colrain, and the north portion of Buckland. They did nothing about getting settlers or setting aside land for schools and the ministry. All that they did do was to sell to John Read in 1737. In 1738 Gershom Keyes of Boston sold a share, and in that deed he says he bought the whole tract from John Read, December 14, 1737, and that the deed was recorded in Springfield. Later John Checkley of Providence bought a share, and Keyes and Checkley began selling lots of varied sizes up to 2200 acres. None of the land was settled until Moses Rice came to Charlemont in 1743, and that south of the Deerfield River, which later became Buckland, was not settled until twenty or thirty years later.

There is an old map on sheepskin which belonged to the estate of Lawrence Taylor, and is now owned by Mrs. George Tower, formerly Mrs. Mark Burdick, which has no title, scale, date, or north point, but which is a map of Boston Township No. 1. This has helped us to understand some of the deeds, or perhaps it is the deeds which explain the map. It shows a lot of about four hundred acres at the south-east corner of the township which the deeds call "public lands." In 1778 Charlemont voted to sell the school rights in public lands, and in 1791, sold one hundred and thirty five acres in Buckland to Eli Fuller. This was out of the public land and a portion of this became a part of the Ezra B. Sherwin, later known as the George D. Crittenden, and now the Arthur Raycroft farm. Charlemont also sold a tract of thirty four and three quarters acres to Samuel Rockwood, located east of the Catholic Church. Both of these were leases for nine hundred and ninety nine years. In this connection it may be of interest to know that Charlemont gave another nine hundred and ninety nine year lease for \$5.79 in silver money, and a part of that tract was later leased for an annual rental of twelve and one half cents in silver money. Since this is not in Buckland we need not worry about where to get silver three cent pieces to pay the rent.

Jonathan Leavitt also sold one hundred and nine acres in 1774, located east of Fuller's tract, and extending east to the river. Leavitt said in the deed that this was given him as the first settled minister. Later Nathaniel Coleman owned the south, and Ebenezer Allis the north half. Most of the Buckland side of Shelburne Falls is located on this lot. At about the same time Jonathan Leavitt also sold one hundred acres east of the Eddy road and north of the Fuller tract. This also was given him as the first minister, and was a part of the public land.

North of the public or school land, were lots each about one hundred rods wide, extending across the river and so far north that Colrain took the north end, and apparently it was in exchange for this loss that the Dana, White and Wilder lot was granted.

West of the public land and the four lots above referred to, was a one thousand acre tract conveyed to Phineas Stevens in 1741, of which five hundred acres was south of the Deerfield River and described as bounding north on the river, east on the

east line of the town and south on the south line of the town. As a matter of fact it was a considerable distance from the east town line, and from later deeds it seems certain that the east line was at the present road leading north from the Edward Bellows house and sometimes called the Eddy road. This road is in line with walls and fences marking old property lines north of the Deerfield river, extending north as far as one can see. This is also the east line of Heath. This five hundred acres was sold to Othniel Taylor in 1742 and he subdivided, mostly by deeding farms to his sons. There was a deed in 1754 to William Donnelson covering one hundred acres at the northeast corner of the five hundred acres. This probably included the Mazanec farm at Buckland Station. Silas White bought it in 1759 for twenty pounds, and sold in 1754, for one hundred and six pounds. In 1766 Samuel and Margaret Clark of Halifax, N. Y., deeded it to Othniel Taylor "with all buildings on said lot." That may be evidence of actual settlement before 1766. In 1780, Othniel Taylor deeded one hundred acres at the southwest corner of his five hundred acres to Lemuel Taylor. This seems to include the Purinton farm now owned by Leon Goodnow. Also in 1780, Othniel Taylor deeded to Tertius Taylor one hundred and thirty five acres at the southeast corner of the five hundred acres. This (known as the Woodward farm) is now all woods, located south of the Reuben March cottage at Boehmer's Hill. That part of the L. B. Wise place which is east of Clesson's River, is probably a part of the lot. In 1780, Othniel Taylor deeded Enos Taylor a one hundred acre lot north of the Field Grant, then owned by Wilder. This apparently became his home, and later was the home of Christopher West, Eber Stratton, James D. Avery and now of Wilbur T. Scott.

In Book 102, page 98, in the Franklin County Registry in Greenfield, is a deed of the "Park Lot" bounding on the Deerfield River, and probably means the deer park.

It seems peculiar that the deeds to Lemuel and Tertius Taylor both run to the south line of the five hundred acre farm, which was supposed to be the south line of Charlemont, but there is, south of these two lots, a strip about one hundred rods wide, north of the old Charlemont south line. The west end of this is included in the deed to Enos Taylor, and the east end was sold by Jonathan White and Joseph Wilder to Josiah Johnson



in 1773. Franklin County registry of deeds has not yet revealed where White and Wilder got their title. The Johnson deed bounds north on Taylor's farm and west on "Taylor's other farm known as Clesson's Farm," which leaves us to wonder where title to the Johnson farm came from, and how Othniel Taylor acquired the land west of it which he sold to Enos Taylor. The old sheepskin map shows a strip about one hundred rods wide along the old Charlemont line from the southwest corner of the town to the east end of the Johnson lot. It may be that a mistake was made in running out the later grants, leaving a strip of "No Man's Land" in No Town. If so, the owners of land in Charlemont may have merely taken possession without bothering the General Court for a new survey and a new grant, but so far neither grants nor deeds have come to light which fully explain what happened.

West of Taylor's farm was a five hundred acre lot sold by Keyes and Checkley to Thomas Stearns in 1742. Stearns sold to Isaac Smith of Boston, and in 1794, William Smith sold to Lemuel Taylor four hundred and fifty six acres known as the Smith farm. This included the Otis Field place with considerable land to the south, and extending west to a point west of the East Charlemont church.

West of this, Oliver Avery sold to Lemuel Taylor one hundred acres from the east side of lot No. 5. Still further west, and north of Benjamin and Jonas Clark Grants, was lot No. 6, owned by Richard Dana, containing two hundred and eighty eight acres. The Harrison Keach farm is probably a part of this lot. The Nichols family were rather early owners of the land west of lot No. 6.

One difficulty in tracing these old lines from deed records is that many deeds were never recorded. This is not surprising when we realize that there were no roads when the first settlers came, and that for at least fifteen years, or until 1787, it required a trip to Springfield to record a deed. Histories have not given it much publicity but in 1787 an act divided Hampshire County into three districts. The first registry for the northern district was at Deerfield and presumably moved to Greenfield when Franklin County was set off in 1811.

Some of the early surveys made an allowance of one chain in thirty for "sag of chain." Probably this "sag of chain" meant

that one end was higher than the other, and that one in thirty may have been a fair average, but it would never be exact.

There are several places where a considerable search of the records failed to show just where on the face of the earth some of the old lines are located, but there is not much doubt about the old Charlemont south line. It runs from the northeast corner of Hawley about east 26 degrees south (originally east nineteen degrees south), passing south of the Harrison Keach place and south of the turn in the road north of Charles Wilder's, continuing over Walnut Hill to Wilder's bridge on the main road. Then continuing in the same line, crossing just north of the John Eddy place, now owned by Edward Bellows, and crossing the Ashfield road probably just south of the Philip Joyce house. The east line is not so well defined, but it was at or near the bridge at Shelburne Falls. Some of the land west of the river above the falls was not in the Charlemont Grant, and there is reason for believing that the grant included a little land on the Shelburne side "at the head of the falls." At any rate Charlemont in 1804, leased land there to Isaac Martin for nine hundred and ninety nine years.

**FIELD GRANT.** The earliest grant outside the Charlemont area was to Zechariah Field. Apparently he did not sell, but in 1749, Samuel Field sold Othniel Taylor one half of the lot, and in 1771, Mary Smith sold one half to Gardner Wilder. Ten days later Othniel Taylor quit claimed to Wilder two hundred acres which may have been the same tract. Ten years later Othniel Taylor deeded one hundred and ninety acres at the south end of the grant to Samuel Taylor. Later deeds indicate that the division line between the two parts was near where Charles Shedd now lives. The village of Buckland Center seems to be wholly within the area owned by Samuel under this deed. Many later deeds refer to the north half as the "Wilder Grant," and there are several deeds which mention Othniel's "Country Grant," which seems to be another name for the "Field Grant," or at least for the south half of it.

The west line of the Field Grant is probably at the present west line of the parsonage lot, and the east line is at the west end of Julian Goddard's mowing. Apparently both Wyman and Cobbet took possession up to this line and if there was any surplus, they made good use of it.



**COBBET GRANT.** After the grant to Field, there were no other grants until twenty five years later when Cobbet was given fifteen hundred and one acres. Cobbet's grand-daughter, Ann Cobbet, deeded a half interest to Ephraim May in 1767, and in January 1770, the tract was divided, with May getting the west and Nathaniel Cobbet the east half. This east half was again divided, with three hundred acres at the north side going to Eli Fuller and was later referred to as "Fuller's Grant."

The other four hundred and fifty acres, called "Kibbe's Grant," went to Isaac Kibbe who divided his land into lots with numbers at least as far as 9, but the plan seems to have been lost.

The west half, which went to Ephraim May in 1770, was afterwards known as "May's Grant." The title to this went to Samuel and Lemuel Taylor in 1780, and they immediately sold several farms. Deeds of 1780 show that the east and south lines of the "Wilder Grant" were also lines of the "Cobbet Grant," but it is difficult to reconcile the two grants. The Field or Wilder Grant was one hundred and forty and one half rods wide but the corresponding line of Cobbet's was two hundred and twelve rods and in a different direction. In 1794, the General Court had this resurveyed at the request of Samuel Taylor and others, and the report fixed the length as one hundred forty four and one half rods, with Samuel Taylor gaining sixteen acres and being required to pay the Commonwealth fifteen pounds therefor.

The north line of "Cobbet's Grant" starts about at the road at the west end of Julian Goddard's mowing and passes north of his house, south of Galen Johnson's and just north of John Cardwell's house on the old Ashfield road. The south line of Cobbet's appears to be at the south line of Charles Trow's pasture, north of the Mary Lyon birthplace, and the north line of Percy Pike's mowing, and runs easterly over the hill, and probably along the wall a few rods north of the former John Murphy house on the old Ashfield road.

**JASHER WYMAN GRANT.** The third grant to be confirmed was to Jasher Wyman's estate in June 1767. This was for five hundred acres between Cobbet's and the Charlemont line, and extended westerly from the Deerfield west line, probably as far as the Field Grant although it was not so stated in the grant, and the dimensions are considerably short.



**WARD'S GRANT.** In 1767 a grant of three thousand acres was made to Jonathan Ward and others who had lost that land in Charlemont which was taken by Colrain. The lost land seems to have been on Catamount Hill so perhaps the gentlemen did not lose any money on the deal.

Nahum Ward bought the first one hundred acre lot at the south east corner of Ward's Grant about 1769 but there is no deed to be found in the Franklin registry. He is generally credited with being the first settler in town. He sold the west half to Josiah Ward in 1771. North of Nahum's land was a one hundred acre lot, sold to Gershom Ward in 1769, which was afterward sold to Nathan Brackett. Apparently later Thomas and Baxter Orcutt were successive owners of it. The latter built a large barn which was a landmark until it burned recently. North of Gershom Ward was a one hundred acre lot sold to Benjamin Leland in 1772. This included the Lewis Taylor, which is the present Julius Cranson farm. North of Leland's were one hundred acres sold to Samuel and Asa Carter in 1776. The east end of this latter tract was later owned by Alpheus Brooks, Joshua Davis, Bruce Graham, Charles Hunt and now by Williard Aste.

The Green and Pierce lot included the "Upper City" and probably the Richard Purinton house. The Storer Grant was north of Purinton's and at one time there were two or three houses on it.

Samuel Taylor bought the Benjamin Clark lot. The Ernest Wilder farm and the former E. D. Bement farm were both on this grant.

The Jonas Clark lot was bought by Elias Carter in 1774 and he sold it in three pieces. The east part went to Elisha Carter in 1777. Apparently this included the Town Farm and the Ed. Maynard place. Benjamin Carter owned the Town Farm in 1792. Brigham Carter owned the Maynard place. The middle lot went to James Butler in 1774. The south part was the home of Samuel Butler and is now the G. B. Greaves place. The north end was sold to Joseph Ballard and is now the Charles Wilder farm. The west part of the Jonas Clark lot was kept by Elias Carter until about 1822. The H. E. Ward farm was a part of this. The present Carter house is also on the original farm. Ansel Taylor and Bartlett Ballard both lived there before 1870.

Samuel Taylor bought most of the Dana, White and Wilder lot in 1778. The south end went to John Ames and is now the Bert Griswold place. There is a tradition that because Ames committed suicide he was buried "at the fork\* of the road," but it is not clear which road. Samuel Taylor apparently kept the A. C. Hawks place for himself. Stephen and Moses Nelson owned north of Samuel. John Clark owned north of Nelson. A. T. Sherwin sold the farm in 1869 "with buildings," but Nelson's and all houses north of it have been gone for many years.

**SMITH GRANT.** The east line of Smith's Grant is at or near the old road north from the Guyette place. The Basel Smith farm includes much of this grant and has been owned by Salmon Munson, Darwin Ware, John Yeomans and others.

**UXBRIDGE GRANT.** Joseph Jepherson bought all but one farm and he is the one who subdivided. Since the Caleb Forbes house burned, the only house left is that of Lillian Hartwell.

The north line of the Uxbridge Grant, which is the south line of Ward's Grant, starts near where Clesson's River enters the town, and runs easterly, crossing the Hawley road just north of the Hartwell place and south of the Ed Kenney place. It is not clear just how far east of the road either the Ward or the Uxbridge Grants extended, but it looks as if Uxbridge and Cobbet overlapped. Edward Forbes bought parts of both, so no one had a chance to fight about it and we may never know exactly where the division line was.

The south line of the Uxbridge Grant should be in the same line with Cobbet's, but actually the wall which goes west over the hill south of the Hartwell place is about five or six rods south of the Cobbet line.

**SPRAGUE GRANT.** This was at the Ashfield line and the east bound was about at Percy Pike's house. Aaron Lyon bought a part of the grant and it was on this lot that Mary Lyon was born.

**HOLDEN AND WYMAN GRANTS.** The south line of the Uxbridge and Cobbet' Grants was referred to as the "Ashfield former Line." The south bound of Wyman's, is probably at the road at the south end of Charles Nadeau's mowing. The Walter Smith, now the Ida Harris farm, one half mile above Four

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\* The fork at Buckland Four Corners.—EDITOR.



Corners, is a part of the Wyman Grant. One of the Holden lots was at the west end of Wyman's. Holden's other lot was on the west bank of the Deerfield River between Shelburne Falls and North River, and just east of the old Charlemont line, but the exact location is still unknown.

**WASHBURN GRANT.** Bounded "north on grants of land, east on Conway, south on Ashfield, westerly and partly southerly on grants." Read that one over carefully and see for yourself why surveyors have gray hair. There was a plan once, but it was not printed as part of the record, and without it the description is incomplete. A part of this, at the south east corner, was the home of Jesse Edson. Noah Willis owned north of Edson, and Japhet Chapin was north of Willis on the Job Woodward place, later owned by John Murphy. The Guyette place is probably at the south west corner and is the only house remaining on the grant.

**SCHOOL GRANT.** This was a strip about fifty rods wide along the Ashfield line from Hawley east to Sprague's Grant.

Israel Williams bought a part of this and a part of Wyman's Grant. This is the present Robert Williams farm in Apple Valley. The houses at Four Corners are located on the School Grant. In 1793 Buckland sold a strip along the south line to the Proprietors of Ashfield, but it is not clear why they wanted any land in Buckland.

**UNKNOWN.** When Wyman's Grant was made, it began thirty eight rods west of Sprague's Grant, which leaves a lot about thirty eight rods wide and one hundred and six long, which does not seem to be in any grant. The best data so far found indicates that it is now known as the "Rob Lot," although it *may* be just east of that. The name "Rob Lot" evidently came from Robert McNitt who sold it in 1798, and described it as being a part of Wyman's Grant. So far no deed has been found which seems to convey this to any one by the name of McNitt or McNutt. It is interesting to speculate as to what happened, but it would not be surprising if the General Court overlooked twenty five acres in No Town.

**CONWAY.** In 1838 a part of Conway was annexed. This included land south of the Deerfield River that was taken from Shelburne in 1781. Some of this was called "Shelburne Gore."



ROADS. Old maps and deeds give some information about old roads and bridle paths which have long been abandoned. The approximate location of several of these is shown by dotted lines, for the information of any who are interested. The whole purpose of the map is to put in graphic form some of the historical data which until now has been hard to find.



## GENEALOGIES

For information concerning the families that have been Buckland inhabitants, the compiler has made extensive research, consulting original records whenever possible.

Because of the loss by fire in 1876, of the town records, the Census of 1790 and copies of the voting lists of 1806, 1822 and 1900 have been used as the basis of this work. To these names have been added those secured by the late W. O. Taylor, a descendant of the first settlers of the Taylor name; the names of present inhabitants descended from the older families, and others whose connection with town and civic affairs entitled them in the judgment of the historical committee, to be included. That it does not contain the genealogies of many former Buckland families is true and those using this compilation should bear in mind that, due to loss of the early records, non-inclusion of families does not necessarily imply that they might not have been here resident.

In the endeavor to make this register replace so far as possible, the vital statistics lost, items will be found here which ordinarily might not have been used. These have been gathered from church records, cemeteries, the files of the "Greenfield Gazette and Courier" and "Franklin Democrat," the Franklin and Hampshire probate records, deeds, the existing town records, family papers and published genealogies, and the vital statistics of other towns. Where discrepancies were found between published works and the records of churches, cemeteries and probate courts, preference has usually been given to the latter sources. In some cases difficult of decision, double dating has been used.

Mr. Taylor had most painstakingly gathered many family records. His work has been freely consulted and largely embodied in the pages which follow.

No work of this kind was ever published without errors, and this, even with all the care exercised, can be no exception to the general rule.



## ABBREVIATIONS

ae., aged.	pub., published.
abt., about.	rem., removed.
b., born.	res., resides, resided.
bapt., baptised.	s., son.
bef., before.	sett., settled.
ch., church.	s. p., without issue.
d., died.	unk., unknown.
dau., daughter.	unm., unmarried.
m., married.	Shel., Shelburne.
mar. int., marriage intention.	Buck., Buckland.
per., perhaps.	wid., widow.
prob., probably.	

Where no state is given, Massachusetts is to be understood.





## GENEALOGIES

ABBOTT, John H., was a member of the school committee in 1853. His mar. int. with Caroline E. A. Maxwell of Heath was pub. Jan. 6, 1852.

ABBOTT, Mary M., dau. of John and Mary, b. in Hinsdale, N. H.; d. Oct. 17, 1902, ae. 57 yrs., unm. She left a brother Fred L., who was living in Buckland in 1900. Other brothers were Edgar of Wendell and John L. of Greenfield.

ADAMS, George R., s. of John W. and Ella (Stearns), b. in Vermont; d. Feb. 1, 1926, ae. 56 yrs. He m. Feb. 18, 1909, Mary Ann, dau. of Samuel and Emma (Gray) Spencer of Buckland. She was b. in Northampton. Child:

- i Mary Ann, who m. July 3, 1928, for her second husband, Charles Thackery, b. in England.

ADAMS, John Wesley (John, John of Ashburnham), b. in Ashburnham, May 17, 1847; d. Mar. 7, 1922, leaving no known heirs. He m. Ella E., dau. of Simon and Susan Marvin. (Note that the Ashburnham Hist. gives mar. of John W. Adams and Ella Stearns, an apparent contradiction.) She was b. in Westminster, Vt., of English ancestry, and d. Dec. 6, 1916, in Buckland, ae. 67 yrs.

1 ADLER, Christian, b. in Wurtemberg, Germany, s. of Christian and Mary (Hilsinger); d. Mar. 7, 1896, ae. 69 yrs. He m. June 30, 1855, at Greenfield, Barbara, dau. of Johann Weischdel (Greenfield T. R.) or Witzel (Buckland T. R.). She d. Nov. 25, 1870, ae. 35 yrs. Children:

- 2 i Christian A., b. Mar. 20, 1856 in Greenfield.
- ii Lenhardt, b. Feb. 2, 1858.
- iii Louisa, b. Jan. 18, 1867; m. — Van DeMark, res. New Haven, Conn.
- 3 iv Frank, b. Nov. 15, 1868.
- v Charles E., b. Nov. 11, 1870; d. Jan. 29, 1871.
- vi George, res. Northampton.
- vii Fred, res. Northampton.
- viii William, res. Ottumwa, Ia.

2 Christian A., s. of Christian(1), b. Mar. 20, 1856 in Greenfield; d. in Buckland, Jan. 1, 1926; a cutler by trade; m. May 23, 1876, Mary Anna, dau. of Godfrey and Mary (Schick) Shatz of Buckland. She was b. in Northampton and d. in Buckland, May 15, 1915, ae. 58 yrs. Children:

- i Christian.
- ii Anna, b. May 6, 1877; m. Frank Tatrault.
- iii William, b. Oct. 13, 1880; m. (1) Laura E. C., dau. of Nils and Gertrude Sandstrum of Buckland. She was b. in San Francisco, Cal.; d. in Buckland, Oct. 4, 1918, ae. 28 yrs. He m. (2) Dec. 23, 1920, Alma A. Sward. Res., Elm Street; no children.
- iv Albert J., b. Nov. 29, 1882.
- 4 v Charles E., b. Mar. 24, 1884.
- vi Rosina Mary, b. Nov. 20, 1890; m. Nov. 26, 1914, Evan M. Andrews of Cleveland, O.
- vii Clarence, res. Baltimore, Md.

3 Frank, s. of Christian(1), b. Nov. 15, 1868; m. Sept. 27, 1890, Gertrude, dau. of E. and Mary A. Russell of Pittsfield. She d. Aug. 22, 1928, ae. 54 yrs. Children:

- i Frank, b. May 1; d. May 2, 1891.
- ii Ruth Frances, b. July 4, 1892; m. Sept. 1, 1928, Charles H. Dustin of Colrain; res. Sears Street.
- iii Barbara Gertrude, b. Feb. 13, 1894; m. Apr. 27, 1913, Matthew P. Cooper of Elmira, N. Y.; deceased bef. May 4, 1918.
- iv Frank Justin, b. Oct. 22, 1902; res. Springfield.

4 Charles E., s. of Christian A.(1), b. Mar. 24, 1884; m. Aug. 21, 1907, Grace L., dau. of Walter and Maria Whyler of Buckland. Res. Elm Street. Children:

- i Carl B., b. Feb. 15, 1908; m. June 29, 1929, Pearl T., dau. of Delos and Ida Wonsey of Buckland.
- ii Ralph E., b. Sept. 16, 1909; m. July 22, 1930, Florence E., dau. of Byron Bruffee of Buckland.

ALBEE, Benjamin and his wife Roxanna of Hawley, bought land in Buckland on Mar. 16, 1859, and apparently made their home in town. On Apr. 9, 1869, they then of Buckland, sold some

portion or all, of their Buckland holdings to Eliott J. Albee of Buckland.

ALBEY, Reuben, was a voter here in 1822. By the Franklin County probate records, he was a Revolutionary pensioner living in Buckland on Apr. 2, 1827. He died later in that year.

ALDEN, Isaac, Lieut. According to bonds and deeds of Lemuel and Samuel Taylor, he was in Buckland as early as 1780. The 1790 census lists his family as containing four males under sixteen and two females including head of family. He evidently died or left town before 1806.

ALEXANDER, Calvin<sup>7</sup> (Joseph<sup>6</sup>, Joseph<sup>5</sup>, Joseph<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup> from Scotland, who sett. in Windsor, Conn.), was b. prob. in Whately in 1798; d. in Buckland, Nov. 10, 1876, leaving a widow Phebe Ann (perhaps Newton). It is presumed she was a second wife as Crafts in his *History of Whately* states that he m. Sept. 17, 1829, Jane, dau. of Orange Bardwell, who was b. Oct. 27, 1801 in Whately. No known children.

1 ALLEN, Albert W. The family tradition is that his father came to Deerfield from Vermont. Albert W. m. in So. Vernon, Vt., Oct. 19, 1854, Jane A. D., dau. of Caleb Rice of Deerfield. He d. Dec. 18, 1860, and she m. (2) Nov. 13, 1879, Franklin M. Baldwin. She was b. Sept. 3, 1831; d. in Buckland, Apr. 19, 1903. Children b. in Deerfield:

i Dorrance W., b. Nov. 21, 1855.

2 ii Joseph R., b. Aug. 24, 1857.

iii Walter C., b. Aug. 23, 1858.

2 Joseph R., s. of Albert W.(1), b. in Deerfield, Aug. 24, 1857. Came to Buckland in the spring of 1891 from Granville, Mass., where he went from Deerfield in 1889. Two years later he removed to Conway, returning to Buckland in 1900. From 1913 to 1918 he lived in Shelburne, and since the latter date has made his home in Buckland. He m. in So. Deerfield, Dec. 9, 1880, Ellen M. May. She d. in Buckland, Dec. 12, 1930. Children b. in Deerfield:

i Joseph C., b. Mar. 27, 1882; d. Aug. 15, 1883.

ii Ellen May, b. Oct. 27, 1883; m. in Shelburne, Dec. 9, 1913, George Mayer. Res. Buckland.

3 iii Luther W., b. July 12, 1886.



3 Luther W., s. of Joseph R.(2), b. in Deerfield, July 12, 1886; res. Buckland; m. May 2, 1908, Ruby M. Marcy of Charlemont. Children:

- i Kenneth, b. June 5, 1910; d. June —, 1910.
- ii Madeline, b. Aug. 26, 1911.
- iii Malcolm, b. June 3, 1913.
- iv Gilbert J., b. June 20, 1914.
- v Eugene T., b. June 19, 1916; d. same day.
- vi Gordon F., b. Dec. 26, 1918.
- vii Neale, b. Dec. 27, 1922; d. same day.
- viii Douglas T., b. Dec. 6, 1929; d. Dec. —, 1929.
- ix Donald, b. Jan. 29, 1931; d. same day.

ALLEN, Joseph, Dr., b. on Long Island, N. Y. in 1764; removed with his parents to Hardwick, at the age of four years. He came to Buckland after 1790, and d. Oct. 21, 1823. Dr. Allen was pub. Feb. 1, 1800, with Lucretia, dau. of Ebenezer Smead of Shelburne. She was b. Oct. 12, 1776, and d. at Syracuse, N. Y., Sept. 16, 1838. That she was a second wife is inferred from the gravestone of his son Erasmus D., who was born in 1792. Known children:

- i Erasmus Darwin, b. — 1792; d. Oct. 24, 1816.  
In his will, Dr. Allen mentions children:
- ii Lucretia, bapt. Mar. 13, 1808; m. Dr. Joseph Tozier of "York, N. Y.," abt. Jan. 1829.
- iii Louisa Smead, bapt. Mar. 13, 1808; m. in 1823, Dr. Lawson Long.
- iv Joseph, b. in 1808 and bapt. Oct. 9, 1808; m. Oct. 31, 1832, Sophia R., dau. of David and Sophia (Kendrick) White, b. in Heath in 1814. They had in Buckland, Jane, b. May 20, 1835; ten other children b. after their removal to Parna, N. Y.

1 ALLEN, Joseph, who m. Catherine —. Child:

- 2 i Charles Benjamin, b. in Salem.

2 Charles Benjamin, s. of Joseph(1), b. in Salem; m. Aug. or Oct. 7, 1877, Martha, dau. of Charles and Mary A. Herring. She was of English parentage and perhaps birth. Children (adopted):

- i Frederick Charles, d. Oct. 5, 1894, ae. 8 yrs.

- ii Nettie May, b. in Boston, June 27, 1894; m. Charles W. Sheldon of Troy, N. Y.

ALLEN, Roger Newton<sup>7</sup> (David<sup>6</sup>, Selah<sup>5</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Edward<sup>1</sup>, a weaver of Ipswich in 1658), b. in Greenfield, Dec. 14, 1821; d. Feb. 24, 1892; a blacksmith by trade. In 1864 he was a resident of Shelburne at which time he made his will. He m. Feb. 25, 1849, Leonora C., dau. of Apollos and Lucinda (Long) Bardwell of Shel. She was b. Jan. 9, 1826; d. Sept. 2, 1915. Child (adopted):

- i Frederick Converse, b. Apr. 3, 1869; m. and rem. from town.

ALLIS, Benjamin. By the 1790 census was then in town with a family of five males under sixteen, and three females including head of family.

ALLIS, Elijah, was pub. with Dorothy Brown of Heath, Apr. 24, 1799.

1 ALLIS, Stephen<sup>5</sup> (Dea. Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 4, 1758 in East Guilford, Conn.; d. Dec. 4, 1848. He served in the Revolution as a Connecticut soldier and attained the rank of lieutenant. In 1788, he purchased of his father a farm on the Buckland side of the river at the Falls, containing one hundred acres; became active in the public affairs of early Buckland and was selectman. He m. (1) Mar. 10, 1785, Thankful Munn, b. 1760; d. Mar. 2, 1796; m. (2) Dec. 14, 1797, Mary Munn of Buckland, b. Oct. 24, 1772; d. July 18, 1801; m. (3) Feb. 16 or 23, 1802, Sophia Cole of Buckland, b. Oct. 3, 1772; d. Jan. 24, 1811; m. (4) Dec. 31, 1811, Thankful Comstock of Buckland, b. 1759; d. Dec. 7, 1813; m. (5) Feb. 23, 1815, Rachel, dau. of Josiah Pratt of Foxboro, and widow of Dr. Benjamin Trow of Buck., b. 1767; d. Nov. 9, 1857. Children:

- i Naomi, b. Dec. 12, 1785; m. Mar. 30, 1820, Lemuel Taylor of Buck.
- ii Samuel, b. Mar. 27, 1787; m. (1) Jan. 27, 1813, Sarah, dau. of Elijah and Ruth (Grout) Boyden of Conway (Mar. int. says "of Buckland"). She d. July or Nov. 14, 1831, ae. 48; m. (2) Nov. 29, 1832, Abigail, dau. of Josiah and Martha (Taylor) Johnson, b. Apr. 2,

- 1791; d. Feb. 4, 1871. He was selectman; d. July 30, 1856; no children.
- iii Experience, b. Aug. 4, 1789; d. Feb. 19, 1852.
  - iv Rodolphus, b. May 21, 1791; d. Feb. 15, 1878. He served in the War of 1812 and his wife drew a pension. He m. (1) Dec. 27, 1818 (church rec.), Mary, dau. of Elijah and Ruth (Grout) Boyden of Conway and Buckland. She was b. Dec. 12, 1789; d. Sept. 16, 1831; m. (2) Elizabeth Edson, widow of Smithson Bronson, Mar. 1, 1838. She was b. May 22, 1795; d. Jan. 14, 1881. No children.
- 2 v Roswell, b. May 2, 1800.
- vi Sophia, b. Apr. 2, 1803; d. Mar. 19, 1812.
  - vii Aurelia, m. Job Godfrey. The only record of her is the mention made by her brother Samuel in his will.
  - viii Arvilla, b. Apr. 28, 1805. Perhaps d. young.
  - ix Almeda C., b. — 1809; d. Nov. 23, 1812.
- 2 Roswell, s. of Lt. Stephen (1), b. May 2, 1800; d. Nov. 17, 1854. He m. Dec. 20, 1821, Martha Smith, b. Aug. 5, 1802. Children:
- i Mary Maria, b. Jan. 10, 1823; m. Sept. 20, 1842, Zephaniah Richmond, Jr.; m. (2) May 18, 1856, Joel Rugg; rem. to Waverly, Kan.
- 3 ii Newton Roswell, b. Apr. 5, 1828.
- iii Rachel Pratt, b. Sept. 19, 1832; m. in So. Halifax, Vt., Jan. 10, 1849, John A. Dodge of Rowe; res. Fort Dodge, Ia.
- 3 Newton Roswell, s. of Roswell (2), b. Apr. 5, 1828; d. Feb. 23, 1893. He m. (1) in So. Halifax, Vt., Jan. 10, 1849, Laura Farley of Colrain. She was b. Feb. 5, 1829; d. Aug. 6, 1871; m. (2) Kate, dau. of Jeremiah and Katherine Sullivan. She was b. in Ireland, and d. Oct. 13, 1929, ae. 91 yrs. Children:
- i Hurlbert Stephen, b. Apr. 30, 1851; d. unm.
  - ii William Elton, b. June 12, 1853; rem. to Iowa.
  - iii Albert Newton, b. Oct. 8, 1860; m. and rem. to Iowa.
  - iv Eliza Jane, b. Aug. 12, 1862; m. July 11, 1881, Joseph P. Krone; res. Northampton.
  - v George S., b. Mar. 6, 1878; d. May 26, 1879.



AMES, John. By deeds was of Buckland, Dec. 25, 1795, and his name appears on the voter's list of 1806. It is probable that this was the Col. John Ames who was the carpenter and builder, although in the old deeds he is recorded as "Gentleman." By these same deeds it is learned that Col. John Ames d. in Ashfield in 1813. He m. (W. O. Taylor) Susanna, dau. of John and Susanna (Carter) Joslyn of Leominster, Nov. 25, 1790. She was b. Oct. 1, 1760 and after the death of her husband went to Eaton, N. Y. to be with her dau., Susanna Ames Brigham. Children:

- i "Susanna Jr.," bapt. Mar. 13, 1808; m. Feb. 16, 1810, Phineas Brigham of Southboro. They rem. to Eaton, Madison Co., N. Y.
- ii Lydia, bapt. Mar. 13, 1808; m. Harwood Stocking of Ashfield.
- iii Lucinda, bapt. Mar. 13, 1808; m. Jan. 4, 1809, Samuel Butler.
- iv Lucy, bapt. Mar. 13, 1808; m. Feb. 21, 1821, Dr. Alvah W. Rockwell of Goshen.
- v Chandler, bapt. Mar. 13, 1808.
- vi Nancy.
- vii Horace.
- viii John, bapt. Mar. 13, 1808; m. Jan. 16, 1823 or 1824, Lydia B. Shepard of Buck.

AMES, Reuben, bought property in Buck., Mar. 20, 1814, at which time he was recorded as of Buck. He was a voter in 1822. M. Phebe —, and they had a dau., Phebe E., who d. May 26, 1823, ae. 16 yrs.

1 AMSTEIN, Paul Ferdinand, s. of William and Barbara (Cischaw), b. in Germany; d. July 7, 1909, ae. 56 yrs. He m. Jan. 8, 1879, Mary Anna, dau. of Henry and Joanna Kellar, b. in Germany and d. Jan. 6, 1890, ae. 34 yrs.; m. (2) Sept. 15, 1892, Theresa, dau. of Henry and Doatha Partenheimer, b. Germany in 1860. She m. Aug. 4, 1914, Ernest A. Zeigler of Easthampton. Children:

- i Lillian A., b. Jan. 25, 1880; m. Sept. 6, 1905, Judson Guilford of Amherst; res. Shelburne.
- ii Ferdinand J., b. May 6, 1882; m. Oct. 11, 1905, Matilda L., dau. of Peter and Anna Seibert of Greenfield; res. Shel.

- iii William A., b. Nov. 29, 1883; res. Deerfield.
- 2 iv Roy H., b. Apr. 7, 1886.
  - v Annie Bessie, b. Nov. 14, 1889.
  - vi Son, b. and d. Feb. 4, 1896.
  - vii Esther T., b. Sept. 20, 1898.
- 2 Roy H., s. of Paul F.(1), b. Apr. 7, 1886. Is an express agent; m. Agnes Bondeau; res. Conway Street, Buck. Child:
  - i Paul Henry, b. Aug. 12, 1907; d. Jan. 17, 1925.
- 1 AMSTEIN, Valentine, s. of George of Miningen, Saxony, came to America in 1852; to Buck. in 1859, where he worked until retirement in 1879; d. July 22, 1894, ae. 75 yrs. He m. Joanna L., dau. of John and Anna (Roeder) Reif, who d. Jan. 21, 1919, ae. 89 yrs. Children:
  - 2 i Frederick William, b. in Greenfield, Aug. 31, 1855.
  - 3 ii Albert John, b. in Greenfield, Sept. 22, 1857.
    - iii Andrew, who m. June 9, 1896, Anna B., dau. of John G. and Anna Kratt. Res. Shelburne Falls. A retired shoe merchant.
- 2 Frederick William, s. of Valentine(1), b. in Greenfield, Aug. 31, 1855; was in company with his brother Albert J. in the grocery and meat business on the Buckland side at Shel. Falls. He m. Sept. 7, 1878, Barbara, dau. of Gottlieb and Barbara Thieringer of Buck. Child:
  - i Florence, b. Jan. 1, 1880.
- 3 Albert John, s. of Valentine(1), b. Sept. 22, 1857 in Greenfield; d. Oct. 18, 1824. He served on various town and county committees, chairman of the selectmen, Justice of the Peace. In 1879 he formed a partnership with his brother F. W. Amstein, and established a provision business on the Buckland side at Shel. Falls. He m. (1) May 16, 1878, Mary A., dau. of Lucas and Mary March of Buck., who d. at the age of 23 yrs.; m. (2) Mar. 18, 1884, Harriet N., dau. of David and Mary Glasgow. Mrs. Amstein was a member of the school committee in 1916. She d. May 25, 1923, ae. 64 yrs. Children:
  - i Alberta H., b. Feb. 23, 1885; m. — Harrington; res. Grand Forks, No. Dak.
  - ii Julian, who d. young.

ANDREWS, George, was a resident in 1900. No further rec.

ANDREWS, Otis of Buckland bought real estate in Buck., May 10, 1791; in Jan. 1797 he was recorded as of Ashfield.

ANDREWS, Salvador, name appears on voting list of 1822.

ANDREWS, Thomas, resident in 1900; m. Mary, dau. of Thomas and Mary Hayes who was b. in Ireland, and d. Aug. 9, 1910, ae. 58 yrs.

ASTE, Charles, name on voter's list, 1900.

1 ASTE, John, m. Mary A., dau. of Willard and Olive (Barber) Coates. She was b. in 1866; d. Aug. 15, 1923. Child:

2 i Willard C., b. at Turners Falls (Montague).

2 Willard C., s. of John(1), b. Turners Falls; res. Buckland. He m. Mar. 24, 1913, Bessie L. Kezar who was b. in Wendell. Children:

i Willard C., b. Jan. 23, 1915.

ii Myrtle, b. Apr. 25, 1918.

ASTE, John, b. in Germany; m. Anna, dau. of Matthias and Agatha Voetsch. She d. May 22, 1897, ae. 56 yrs. Child:

i William, b. in Buck.; d. Aug. 11, 1876, ae. 5 mos.

ATKINS, Bernard, b. in Ireland; d. May 27, 1883, ae. 71 yrs.; m. Kate —. Child:

i Kate M., m. Jan. 20, 1887 at Buck., Daniel J. Driscoll.

1 ATKINS, Byron, came from Ireland (County Clare), to America in 1848, going from Boston to Springfield, thence to Leyden, and finally settling at Buckland at the Falls. He d. May 27, 1883; m. in Ireland, Kate, dau. of John Sweeney. She d. May 16, 1885. Children:

2 i Michael, b. Jan. 27, 1845 in County Clare.

ii Mary, who m. — Cantwell (perhaps John), and lived in Buck.

iii William, res. Northampton. (Name also given Willard.)

iv Edward, d. at Buck., July 22, 1894, ae. 38 yrs., unm.

v Kate, res. Shelburne.

2 Michael, s. of Byron(1), b. Jan. 27, 1845 in Ireland; came with parents to America in 1848; d. Apr. 1, 1916. He had served



as selectman, assessor, member of the fire department, was a Civil War veteran and a member of Ozro Miller Post, G. A. R. He m. Jan. 1, 1869, Anna, dau. of John Gallagher, who was b. in Windsor, Vt.; d. June 8, 1928, ae. 78. Children:

- 3    i    William F., b. July 4, 1871.
  - ii    Child, b. Feb. 6, 1874; d. Feb. 10, 1874.
  - iii    Jane Katherine, b. Sept. 10, 1877; res. Buck.
  - iv    Michael Henry, b. Dec. 4, 1879; d. May 31, 1901.
  - v    George Bernard, b. Nov. 12, 1881 at Shelburne; deceased. Had 1. Alice, b. Dec. 3, 1902; 2. Olive.
  - vi    Mary Eliza, b. Mar. 7, 1883; m. Sept. 6, 1930, Stewart L. Keach of Buck.
  - vii    Charles Frederick, b. Nov. 5, 1884; d. Aug. 6, 1903, unm.
  - viii    Anna Maud, b. June 4, 1886; m. Nov. 26, 1919, Timothy J. Rene of Northampton.
  - ix    Alice M., b. Nov. 14, 1889; d. Feb. 1, 1907; unm.
- 4    x    Paul Edward, b. Dec. 16, 1891.
  - xi    John Patrick, b. Dec. 31, 1892; d. May 18, 1909.
  - xii    Joseph R., res. Buck.

3 William F., s. of Michael(2), b. July 4, 1871; d. Jan. 4, 1897; m. Mary T., dau. of John and Ann (Doyle) Teehan. Child:

- i    Lillian Margaret, b. June 14, 1895; d. Nov. 8, 1895.

4 Paul Edward, s. of Michael(2), b. Dec. 16, 1891; m. Aug. 12, 1918, Alice E., dau. of William Stearns, b. in Whately. Child:

- i    Charles Paul, b. Mar. 11, 1920.

ATKINS, Dexter<sup>5</sup> (Giles<sup>4</sup>, Solomon<sup>3</sup>, Solomon<sup>2</sup>, Josiah<sup>1</sup>), b. at Plainfield; d. Mar. 24, 1885; m. Dec. 14, 1836, Mary White, dau. of Reuben W. Field. She was b. Feb. 27, 1812; d. Mar. 29, 1885. Mrs. Atkins was a frequent contributor to the local papers and wrote many short poems for social occasions. Children:

- i    Sarah Abigail, b. Oct. 15, 1840; d. Nov. 10, 1890; unm.
- ii    Dexter Ashman, b. Sept. 27, 1847; res. Springfield.

ATKINS, William, m. Mary Ann Shaw. Child:

- i    Lizzie, m. as second wife, Andrew J. Everson of Turners Falls; she d. Oct. 6, 1892.

1 AUSTIN, John, b. in England, m. Louisa —, b. in Mansfield, Conn. Children:

- i Emma, d. May 28, 1866, ae. 11 yrs.
- ii Son, d. Sept. 8, 1870, ae. 9 yrs.
- 2 iii Chauncey L., b. in Bozrah, Conn.
- iv John E., probably.

2 Chauncey L., s. of John(1), b. in Bozrah, Conn.; d. Aug. 4, 1873, ae. 28; m. Jan. 24, 1872, Charlotte E. Nichols of Colrain. Child:

- i Son, b. Oct. 18, 1872.

AUSTIN, Eddie D., d. Feb. 5, 1871, ae. 5 yrs.

AUSTIN, Julia H., widow, m. Oct. 17, 1877, Henry H. Nourse of Lancaster.

AUSTIN, Linus, Elder and first pastor of the second Baptist church, was installed here Apr. 26, 1829 and served until June 1830.

AUSTIN, Mary L., m. George B. Hartwell of Springfield, July 23, 1868.

AUSTIN, Marcus E., m. Mar. 3, 1866, Helen M. Rood of Whately.

AVERY, James Deane<sup>s</sup> (David<sup>7</sup>, Amos<sup>6</sup>, Abner<sup>5</sup>, Jonathan<sup>4</sup>, James<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Christopher<sup>1</sup>), b. at East Charlemont, May 6, 1848; d. May 13, 1922. Settled at Buckland where he became a prosperous and well known raiser of fancy stock, especially cattle. Also dealt extensively in lumber. He repeatedly served as selectman and assessor; was County Commissioner; m. (1) May 6, 1873, Emma Juliette, dau. of Orrick and Sophia (Kendrick) Packard of Charlemont. She was b. July 20, 1848; d. Apr. 23, 1900; m. (2) Oct. 15, 1902, Maria Merrill, dau. of William and Emily (Smith) Joslyn. She was b. June 22, 1866; res. at Greenfield. Child:

- i Francis Deane, b. Oct. 24, 1876; m. June 21, 1904, Mabel Clair, dau. of William and Carrie (Swan) Johnson of Shelburne Falls. He is a civil engineer, residing at Greenfield; a man much interested in the history of his native town. Children:

- i Blanche Deane, b. Apr. 10, 1905 in Rochester, N. Y.
  - ii Irene Johnson, b. Dec. 6, 1906 in Watertown, N. Y.; m. Andrew Wait.
  - iii Carolyn Frances, b. Nov. 1, 1908 in Watertown, N. Y.
  - iv James Deane, b. Feb. 12, 1911 in Richland, N. Y.; m. Eleanor Lucier.
- 1 AVERY, John D.<sup>8</sup> (Abner<sup>7</sup>, Amos<sup>6</sup>, Abner<sup>5</sup>, Jonathan<sup>4</sup>, James<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Christopher<sup>1</sup>), b. July 1, 1839 at Charlemont; d. Feb. 25, 1921; m. Feb. 6, 1864, Eliza A., dau. of Nelson and Caroline (Warren) Wait. She d. Nov. 19, 1921, ae. 79. Children:
- i Altie Rosella, b. Feb. 22, 1868; m. Oct. 11, 1891, Louis T. Haigis.
  - 2 ii Francis Deane, b. Oct. 5, 1872.
- 2 Francis Deane, s. of John D.(1), b. Oct. 5, 1872; m. Oct. 8, 1894, Mary, dau. of Simon and Caroline (Calvert) Koch. Occupation, a steel forger; res. Buck. Children:
- 3 i Creston Deane, b. Dec. 23, 1896.
  - ii Doris Irene, b. June 1, 1901; res. Buck.
- 3 Creston Deane, s. of Francis Deane(2), b. Dec. 23, 1896; m. June 10, 1922, Lucy, dau. of Bradley and Ellen (Allard) Newell of Rowe. Child:
- i Charles D., b. Aug. 15, 1893.
- AVERY, Henry G.<sup>8</sup> (David<sup>7</sup>, Amos<sup>6</sup>, Abner<sup>5</sup>, Jonathan<sup>4</sup>, James<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Christopher<sup>1</sup>), b. Charlemont. Was a resident of Buckland in 1900. He d. without children, May 23, 1904, ae. 59; m. Mellond M., dau. of William Mills. She d. Aug. 11, 1928.
- AVERY, Prudence R., dau. of Abner and Sarah, a sister of John D. Avery above, was b. in Charlemont, and d. in Buckland, May 3, 1893, unm., ae. 46.
- BACHELOR (or Batcheldor), Nathan, by deeds was in Ashfield, 1795; in Buckland in 1801; and his name appears on the voting lists of 1806 and 1822. He d. July 22 or 30, 1846, ae. 81 or 83 yrs. His wife, Martha, d. Jan. 24, 1832, ae. 74.
- BACHELOR (or Batcheldor), Samuel, was here in 1806, but no further record found.



BACKWELL, Charles, b. in Wrington, England, Feb. 19, 1819; m. Mar. 10, 1845 in St. Johns, Canada, Charlotte Bower, b. Aug. 6, 1823 in Sheffield, Eng. They came to the United States in 1848, spending their lives on the Shelburne Falls and Buckland sides of the river. Children:

- i Elizabeth, b. July 27, 1846, in Lachine, Canada, d. Dec. 1, 1848 in Shelburne Falls.
- ii Sarah, b. Jan. 20, 1848 in Lachine, d. there June 23, 1848.
- iii Albert H., b. in Shel. Mar. 10, 1851; rem. to Boston.
- iv Louisa M., b. Oct. 19, 1852 in Shel.; d. in Buckland, Apr. 27, 1874.
- v Charles E., b. Sept. 4, 1854 in Shel.; d. there Sept. 15, 1855.
- vi Grace D., b. Apr. 17, 1856 in Shel.; m. Sept. 8, 1874, Frank W. Richmond of Buckland. Res. Shelburne Falls.
- vii Edwin H., b. Oct. 29, 1857; d. in Buckland, Jan. 29, 1873.
- viii Mary E., b. Mar. 3, 1860 in Buckland; m. Sept. 21, 1881, Byron L. Town; res. Springfield.
- ix Charlotte E., b. in Northampton, May 31, 1866.

BACON, Daniel, here in 1790 with a family of two males, sixteen or over, one male under sixteen and five females.

BACON, Henry, here in 1790, with two males under sixteen and two females in his family.

BACON, Levi, here in 1790 with a family of two males under sixteen, and three females.

BAILEY, Ai Joseph, b. in Carlisle, s. of Charles; was a blacksmith by trade; came here bet. 1888 and 1900; d. in Buckland, Jan. 31, 1915, ae. 77 yrs. He m. (1) Hattie Richardson of Needham; (2) Oct. 31, 188-, Mrs. Mary Ella, dau. of Lewis Brown and wid. of George Thayer. She now lives with her son George L. Children:

- i Hattie M., by first wife, d. in Buck.; unm. (Several other chil. by this mar. all of whom were b. and lived in the eastern part of the state.)

- ii George L., b. in Raynham, Oct. 29, 1888; m. Dec. 29, 1909, Belle T., dau. of Oscar Rood of Hawley. He lives in Buck.; one s., George Harold, b. 1910; is m.
  - iii Joseph, m. and lives in Ashfield.
- 1 BAKER, Mrs. Charlotte, wid. of William of England, d. in Buck., Mar. 28, 1879, ae. 79 yrs. Children:
- 2 i James, b. in England, June 23, 1827.
  - ii Mary, b. Aug. 6, 1840; m. George Grant; dec'd.
- 2 James, s. of William and Charlotte(1), b. Eng., June 23, 1827; d. May 6, 1898, ae. 70 yrs. He m. Ruth, dau. of James and Ann Bray, b. in Eng. and d. in Buck., Jan. 8, 1919, ae. 89. Children, order unknown:
- i Sarah Ann, b. in Buck., Aug. 25, 1859; m. Sept. 22, 1881, Homer Dayton; res. Winchester, Ct.
  - ii Helen R., b. Apr. —, 1862; res. Buck.
- 3 iii George W., b. July 27, 1866.
- iv William, d. y.
  - v Dau., d. y.
- 3 George W., s. of James(2), b. July 27, 1866; m. Sept. 7, 1892, Theresa A., dau. of Thomas and Theresa (Hancock) Walker, b. in Eng. in 1867; res. South Street. Children:
- i Alice Ruth, b. Mar. 31, 1893; d. Apr. 7, 1893.
- 4 ii Everett Charles, b. Mar. 1, 1894.
- iii Harold Edwin, b. Aug. 20, 1895; m. Aug. 21, 1922, Myrtle, dau. of Addison P. and Emma (Hicks) Goldthwait of Shel.
  - iv Gladys S., b. Jan. 31, 1897; m. Sept. 7, 1920, Charles Edwin Canedy of Buck.
- 4 Everett Charles, s. of George W.,(3), b. Mar. 1, 1894; has served as a member of the school committee; m. July 27, 1916, Lillian, dau. of William and Sarah (Warburton) Martin who was b. in Eng.; lives Conway Street. Children.
- i Charles William, b. Oct. 12, 1917.
  - ii Son, b. and d. Nov. 7, 1919.
  - iii David W., b. May 31, 1921.
  - iv Sarah Lucille, b. June 1, 1926.

BALLARD, Benjamin, by deeds owned land here in Jan., 1789; no further record.

BALLARD, Horatio, s. of Dea. Benjamin, bapt. July 8, 1804.  
1 BALLARD, Joseph, Lt., b. Feb. 3, 1772, was here in 1796; d. Jan. 28, 1811. He m. Feb. 23, 1798, Rhoda Williams of New Hampshire. She was b. Aug. 2, 1774; d. Mar. 28 or Apr. —, 1842. Children, order unk.:

- i Joseph,
- ii George,
- iii Louise, b. Sept. 2, 1804; m. Nov. 11, 1825, David White Taylor; d. Jan. 26, 1863.
- iv Bartlett, b. 1800; d. Apr. 25, 1805.

2 v Bartlett, b. 1807.

3 vi Franklin, b. Mar. 13, 1809.

2 Bartlett, Dea., s. of Lt. Joseph(1), b. 1807; d. Sept. 1, 1872. He was selectman, overseer of the poor, representative to the General Court; m. Lucretia, dau. of Amos and Eunice Avery of Charlemont, who d. June 24, 1878, ae. 68. He had no children and his property was willed to niece and nephews, children of his sister Louisa.

3 Franklin, s. of Lt. Joseph(1), b. Mar. 13, 1809; d. Jan. 26, 1891. He was a manufacturer of wooden ware; m. at Sand Lake, N. Y., Apr. 14, 1835, Ruth Lemira, dau. of Jonathan and Susanna (Taylor) Ward. She was b. May 16, 1810, d. Mar. 2, 1884. Children.

- i Lucy, b. June 19, 1836; d. July 21, 1839.
- ii Samuel Perkins, b. Nov. 8, 1837; d. Feb. 24, 1909 in Sharon, Wis. Before removal to Wisconsin he served as a member of the school committee; m. Dec. 1, 1865, Jennie Colton of Northfield. While on a visit to Buckland in 1877, their sons Bartlett and Franklin, died on Aug. 12 and 23 respectively.
- iii Joseph Franklin, b. Sept. 4, 1839, d. Feb. 2, 1923. Mr. Ballard had a remarkable memory and could tell, perhaps, more of Buckland's history and people than any one of his generation. He m. Apr. 28, 1861, Laura Angelia, dau. of Zenas and Judith (Smith) Elmer, b. July 4, 1840; d. July 14, 1923 in Amherst; s. p.
- iv Davis C., b. July 8, 1844; d. Nov. 9, 1865.



BALLARD, Luther, was a representative of the old "Free Soil" party in 1854. His wife Sarah, d. Mar. 29, 1866, ae. 47.

BALLARD, Sarah, m. 1792 Elijah Carter and rem. to the Holland Purchase, N. Y.

BALLARD, William C., d. Sept. 26, 1853 or 1858, ae. 24.

BARDWELL, Samuel L.<sup>5</sup>, (Consider<sup>4</sup>, Enoch<sup>3</sup>, Samuel<sup>2</sup>, Robert<sup>1</sup>), b. July 1815; served as town clerk and treasurer, selectman, assessor and representative to the General Court in 1857. He m. (1) Eliza S. Tousley Aug. 8, 1838. She d. at Columbia, Me., Feb. 26, 1846, ae 25 yrs.; m. (2) (by Shelburne town records) Apr. 13, 1847 Samantha L. Snow of Colrain.; m. (3) Laura Smith. Finally sett. at Belle Plain, Iowa.

BARDWELL, William Henry Harrison<sup>7</sup>, (Seth<sup>6</sup>, Orange<sup>5</sup>, Lt. Noah<sup>4</sup>, Remembrance<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Robert<sup>1</sup>), b. in Whately Nov. 29, 1840; d. in Buckland June 28, 1916; according to the Hist. of Whately, m. Mary E., dau. of Spencer Bartlett, was a machinist, living in Haydenville, and the first three of his six children were b. at Whately. In this it disagrees with the Buckland town records, which gives a son, b. Nov. 15, 1867 in Buckland, while the Whately History records a daughter Lilla B., b. at Whately Nov. 7, 1867, the parentage being identical, as also the father's occupation.

1 BASS, Adna, formerly of Colrain, d. in Buckland, June 11, 1866, ae. 71. His wife, Rebecca Shippee, d. in Buckland, Oct. 2, 1882, ae. 83; she was the dau. of Israel Shippee who was b. in R. I.

2 i Clark D., b. in Colrain.

ii Alcemina P.; m. Alvin Goodnow and d. Aug. 18, 1923, ae. 88 yrs.

2 Clark D., s. of Adna(1), b. in Colrain; d. Sept. 25, 1911. He m. Aug. 28, 1862, Imogene Rice of Colrain. She d. in Buck. Oct. 25, 1870. Children:

i Elsie E. —, m. Morris Perry. Lived Buck.

ii Minnie E. —, m. Benjamin Eddy. (One of these daughters was b. Aug. 14, 1867.)

iii Inez E., b. Nov. 11, 1868; m. Dec. 24, 1888, Lorenzo L. King, res. Buck.

BASSETT, Elisha, s. of Henry; b. in Ashfield; bought property in Buck. in 1843; d. Jan. 15, 1915, ae. 76 yrs., unm. He was living in Buck. in 1900.

BASSETT, Persis T., b. 1792, dau. of Dan Townsley; d. Dec. 30, 1861. She was wid. of William Bassett whom she mar. in 1822.

BEALS, J. B., here in 1900 and no further record found.

BELDING, Samuel, name on the voting lists of 1806 and 1822.

BEMENT, Anson, was probably from Ashfield originally; in War of 1812; for many years was one of the most popular Deputy Sheriffs in the County. He m. Polly, dau. of Elkanah Baker of Hawley who d. May 19, 1885, ae. 87 yrs.

1 BEMENT, Daniel<sup>4</sup>, (John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup> of Enfield), b. Nov. 2, 1782; d. July 22, 1871. He m. Nov. 25, 1811, Dorcas, dau. of Ezekiel and Rebecca (Nelson) Dodge of Shelburne. She d. Apr. 2, 1840, ae. 59 yrs.; m. (2) Oct. 8, 1840, Nancy M., dau. of J. and Mary Nichols who d. June 16, 1880, ae. 83 yrs. Children:

i John Wait, b. July 9, 1815.

2 ii Ezekiel Dodge, b. May 18, 1819.

3 iii Daniel Holmes, b. Oct. 30, 1823.

2 Ezekiel Dodge, s. of Daniel(1), b. May 18, 1819; d. Nov. 22, 1903. In the offices of school committee, assessor, selectman, Justice of the Peace and representative to the General Court, he had much to do in shaping the development and prosperity of Buckland. For sixty-three years he had not missed a vote and was an ardent Republican. He m. Sept. 6, 1843, Roxanna Drake, dau. of Zephaniah and Fanny (Moore) Richmond. She was b. Mar. 10, 1824; d. May 16, 1875; m. (2) Dec. 20, 1877, Mrs. Emily A. E. Joslyn, dau. of Royal and Ruth Smith, of Colrain. She was b. Dec. 28, 1826; d. Apr. 11, 1917. Children, order unk.

i Olive S., b. Oct. 23, 1844; d. Mar. 21, 1846.

ii Mary Olivia, b. July 4, 1847; became a successful teacher; d. in Sioux Falls, So. Dakota Apr. 8, 1888, buried in Buck.

iii Isabelle D., —; m. Mar. 10, 1871, Elijah E. Phillips of Ill.; res. Sioux Falls, So. Dak.

- iv Alice F.,
- v Fred E.; res. Sioux Falls, So. Dak.
- vi Theron R., res. Sioux Falls, So. Dak.
- vii Clara J.; res. Sioux Falls, So. Dak.
- viii Olive Irene, b. June —, 1856; d. Jan. 9, 1870.
- ix Francis J., b. June —, 1858; d. Aug. 29, 1859. There was a dau. b. Mar. 7, 1854, another May 10, 1861, and a son Jan. 29, 1867, names not given; probably apply to undated births above.

3 Daniel Holmes, s. of Daniel(1), b. Oct. 30, 1823; mechanic; m. Nov. 12, 1847, Arvilla T., dau. of John Frost of Buck. who was b. Feb. 19, 1829. There were four children, the first b. Aug. 13, 1849, names not found.

BEMENT, Edwin A., d. Sept. 7, 1864, ae. 35 yrs. He m. Annis L— who d. Aug. 2, 1854, ae. 21 yrs. Had.

- i Son, b. July 15, 1854.

BEMENT, Horatio B., m. Ellen C.— who d. Jan. 24, 1871, ae. 36 yrs. Had:

- i Daughter, b. Jan. 19, 1871.

BEMENT, Jasper, was b. Ashfield in 1849, later of Buck.; had a daughter Charlotte B., who m. Nahum Putney and d. Jan. 8, 1897, ae. 80 yrs.

BEMENT, Sumner, a mechanic, bought property in Buck. in 1837; m. Dec. 24, 1835, Fanny, third child of William and Phebe (Stacy) Thayer. She was b. Jan. 31, 1809; d. June 3, 1848; m. (2) in West Haven, Ct. Apr. 11, 1849 Laura Root of Rochester, N. Y., by one record. The grave stone gives wife's name as Priscilla. Children:

- i Mary T., b. in Ashfield; m. Aug. 8, 1849, Josiah F. Smith of Ash.
- ii Priscilla, d. May 27, 1848, ae. 21 yrs. (Dau. of Sumner and Priscilla.)
- iii Frances E., d. Feb. 11 or 15, 1848, ae. 15 yrs. (Dau. Sumner and Priscilla.)
- iv Sumner M., d. May 26, 1839, ae. 1 yr. (s. of Sumner and Fanny.) (There is here an apparent conflict of records. They are given as found. Were there two men by name of Sumner?)



BENEDICT, Samuel, a Revolutionary soldier, buried in Buck.

1 BENSON, Peter, s. of Benjamin and Anna, b. in Sweden; d. Mar. 16, 1922, ae. 60 yrs.; m. Dec. 9, 1889, Augusta, dau. of John and Annie Johnson; "Polensia G., wid. of Peter; d. Aug. 5 (or 7), 1926. ae. 68 yrs. b. Sweden." Children:

i Bertha Ann Caroline, b. Jan. 18, 1890; m. Oct. 27, 1910, Henry Hocumb of Conway.

ii Ben John, b. Jan. 15, 1892; d. Jan. 14, 1903.

iii Carl Oscar, b. Jan. 21, 1893; d. Aug. 31, 1893.

iv Oscar E., b. Mar. 10, 1894; d. June 14, 1921, unm.

2 v Solomon Francis, b. June 28, 1895.

vi Emma C., b. July 23, 1897; m. June 18, 1919, Lawrence H. Field of Chicopee Falls.

2 Solomon Francis, s. of Peter(1), b. June 28, 1895; d. Sept. 2, 1928. He m. Mar. 22, 1924, Myrtle Frances, dau. of Edward and Maud Bellows of Buck., b. at Athens, Vt. Children:

i Francis S., b. Oct. 10, 1926.

ii Daughter, b. Feb. 12, 1928.

iii Donald Leroy, b. Jan. 31, 1929. (Posthumous.)

1 BICKEL (early spelling Pickel), Frederick, m. Anna Eva, dau. of Simon and Anna Sauer. She d. Apr. 1, 1909, ae. 72 yrs. Children.

i Rosa, b. Germany, 1862; m. May 24, 1883 at Buck., John C. Winterhalder; she d. Jan. 10, 1926.

ii Louisa, b. Germany, 1863; m. May 22, 1884 at Buck., Lawrence Baker.

iii Augusta A., b. Germany; m. June 19, 1901, George P. Cooper of Shel.

2 iv Casper E., b. Buck. July 21, 1868.

v Mary, b. July 9, 1871; d. Nov. 11, 1871.

vi Emma, — m. July 27, 1897, John T. Booker; d. Jan. 2, 1921, ae. 45 yrs.

vii Amelia,

viii Mary, b. Feb. 21, 1873; d. Nov. 14, 1877.

ix Dau., b. May 10, 1875. (Gazette and Courier.)

2 Casper E., s. of Frederick(1), b. July 21, 1868; m. Nov. 8, 1893, Katherine, dau. of George Pfersick. Had:

i Persis Anna, b. July 5, 1895.

BIGELOW, Silas, b. Mar. 25, 1820; d. Mar. 30, 1894; m. Jane S. Tower who was b. May 18, 1830; d. Feb. 3, 1900. Had:

i Son, b. June 5, 1863.

BINDER, Jacob was resident here in 1900.

BINDER, Martin, was resident here in 1900.

1 BIRCH, Charles S., a cutler, s. of Francis and Ellen (Taylor), b. in England; d. Sept. 28, 1899, ae. 57 yrs.; m. Hannah Pennock, also b. Eng.; she d. Apr. 7, 1907, ae. 61 yrs. Children, order unk.:

i Charles William, b. Aug. 22, 1873; d. Jan. 5, 1874.

ii Charles William, b. Aug. 23, 1878; d. Dec. 29, 1883.

iii Edith, m. — Jones who is deceased; res. Buck.

iv Robert, unm. res. Buck.

v Nellie, m. Oct. 28, 1905, William Needham, deceased, res. Buck.

2 vi Francis Joseph (or Frederick), b. Apr. 28, 1882.

2 Francis Joseph, s. of Charles S.(1), b. Apr. 28, 1882; m. May 7, 1906, Emma, dau. of John and Lena LaPierre, b. in Colrain. Children:

i Harold LaPierre, b. Apr. 12, 1909.

ii Mildred E., b. Sept. 30, 1913.

BISHOP, Charles C., s. of Charles and Millie (Johnson), b. Hinsdale, N. H.; d. May 9, 1912, ae. 64 yrs. He m. Letitia, dau. of Edward Bellamy, b. in England. She d. Sept. 15, 1913, ae. 68 yrs. Had:

i Florence Mildred, b. Jan. 5, 1891.

BLACKMER, or BLACKMAN, John, resident of Buckland, d. 1787, intestate, Northampton Probate.

BLACKMAN, John H., here in 1790 with a family of two males under sixteen and three females. He evidently left within a few years as his name does not appear as a voter in 1806.

BLACKMAN, Lemuel, was here in 1790 with a family of one male under sixteen and two females. He probably left within a comparatively short time as his name is not on the 1806 voter's list.

BLACKMER, John of Buckland, sold to John Holland Blackmer of Buckland, on Mar. 25, 1787, land in town for \$500.

Two of the name of Blackmer (no Christian names) were members of the Baptist Church, no dates.

BLACKMER, Anna, of Buckland, m. Peter Ryther of Bernardston, pub. May 21, 1798.

In the probate papers relative to the estate of John Blackman, the widow's name is given as Anna; the names of Roland and Anne Blackmer appear on the administrator's bond. The name of John H. Blackmer also appears. All had disappeared from town prior to 1806.

BLISS, David Weston, s. of David S., b. in Florida, Mass.; d. Jan. 30, 1924, ae. 62; m. Edith L. Brown. Children:

- i Ruth M., m. (1) — Sullivan; m. (2) May 5, 1924, Earl Wilde of Buckland.
- ii Verne E., b. Drury, ice dealer; res. E. Charlemont; m. May 8, 1914, Edna L., dau. Herbert and Emma (Babcock) Richmond. They had; i. Marion Evelyn, b. Aug. 14, 1917.

1 BOEHMER, Frederick, b. in Germany, a cutler, s. of Frederick K. and Catherine; m.(1) Elizabeth C., dau. of the late Capt. John Rundle of Halifax, Nova Scotia. She d. Mar. 5, 1870, ae. 50; m.(2) (ae. 59) Dec. 5, 1878, Carrie H. Nichols. Children, order unknown:

- i Frederick W., b. July 20, 1845; d. Aug. 20, 1847.
- ii Amelia, m. in Halifax, Vt., May 2, 1867, Peter Bard of Buck.
- 2 iii Charles, b. Shelburne.
- 3 iv Frederick L., b. Aug. 24, 1848 in Shelburne.
- v Helena.
- vi Anna.
- vii Bertha.
- viii Sidney, m. Barbara Ann —, rem. from town.
- ix Lucy, m. May 22, 1884, at the age of 26, Albert W. Mann.
- x Estella O., m. — Montague; d. Mar. 1, 1885, ae. 27.
- 4 xi James R., b. Buckland.

2 Charles, s. of Frederick(1), b. in Shelburne; m. Dec. 30, 1877, Flora A. L., dau. of Samuel Brackett; she d. May 27, 1910, ae.

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- i Evangeline B., b. Oct. 6, 1878; m. — McCord, res. Brattleboro, Vt.
  - ii Frederick Roy, b. Dec. 22, 1880; res. Buck.
  - iii Leon C., b. Mar. 26, 1884, res. Chicopee Falls.
- 3 Frederick L., s. of Frederick(1), b. Aug. 24, 1848 in Shelburne; m. Aug. 21, 1876, Hattie M., dau. of Edward and Lucretia Randall of Huntington. Children:
- i Earl Robert, b. June 1, 1877.
  - ii Marion E., b. May 1, 1885.
  - iii Bertha Evelyn, b. Huntington; d. Apr. 27, 1882, ae. 2 mos.
- 4 James R., s. of Frederick(1), b. in Buckland; m. Elizabeth C., dau. of James and Carrie Nichols, of Hawley. Children:
- i Lillian O., b. Feb. 1, 1880.
  - ii Francis H., b. Jan. 18, 1882.
  - iii Daughter, b. Mar. 10; d. Mar. 13, 1885.
  - iv Ralph H., b. Sept. 30, 1886.
  - v Harold.
  - vi Charles Judson, b. June 4, 1890.
- BOLJAE, Joseph, was a voter in town in 1900. No further record.
- BOND, Andrew J., m. Amelia M. Had:
- i Erwin A., d. July 2, 1855, ae. 3 yrs, 5 mo.
- 1 BOOKER, John, b. in England, lived some years in Buckland but died in Hartford, Ct., in 1864; m. Sarah — who also d. in Hartford, Ct., in 1864. Children, b. in England, order unk.:
- 2 i Farewell.
  - ii Harriet, m. Conrad Pfersick.
- 3 iii Isaac,
- iv William, d. in Turners Falls.
  - v Mary, m. John Kenworthy, res. at Hartford, Ct.
  - vi Sarah, b. May 14, 1836; m. George Rowland.
- 2 Farewell, s. of John(1), b. in Eng.; d. in Buckland, Mar. 4, 1879, ae. 37 yrs.; a cutler by trade; m. Mary A. Costello, b. in Troy, N. Y. Children:
- i Mary, m. Joseph Dean of Shelburne Falls.

- ii Farewell, m. and d. in Toledo, Ohio.
- iii William, res. Toledo, Ohio.
- iv Ellen, b. Feb. 3, 1876, res. Philadelphia, Pa., unm.
- v Theresa, b. Feb. 17, 1878; m. —, res. New York City.

3 Isaac, s. of John(1), b. in Eng.; d. July 7, 1877, ae. 31 yrs.; m. Nov. 5, 1866, Ellen, dau. of Robert and Mary Smith; she m. (2) Nov. 15, 1881, George Heathcote of Buckland and d. Sept. 23, 1927. Children:

- 4 i John T., b. abt. 1867.
- ii Revena, b. in Windsor, Vt., Oct. 7, 1870; d. Feb. 5, 1881.
- 5 iii Isaac W., b. May 30, 1871.
- iv Farewell, b. Jan. 31, 1873; m. Oct. 19, 1907, Mrs. Nellie G. Cary of Colrain.
- v Mary Ellen, b. Jan. 29, 1875; m. Nov. 26, 1893, Benjamin J. DuBuke of Buckland.
- vi Sarah, b. Mar. 6, 1877; m. Jan. 27, 1901, George M. Baldwin.

4 John T., s. of Isaac(3), b. abt. 1867; d. May 13, 1923; was a transfer clerk in the employ of the B. & M. R.R. He m. July 27, 1897, Emma, dau. of Frederick and Annie (Sauer) Bickel, b. in Buckland; d. Jan. 2, 1921, ae. 45 yrs. Children:

- i Ellsworth, b. June 20, 1898; m. May 19, 1926, Lillian F., dau. of Walter Clark of Colrain.
- ii John M., b. abt. 1900; m. June 15, 1927, Althea E., dau. of Charles E., and Dora (Cole) Tyler of Buckland.
- iii Evelyn A., b. Mar. 21, 1902, res. Buck., unm.
- iv Muriel F., b. Mar. 18, 1904; m. William Sullivan; res. New York, N. Y.
- v Howard E., b. Feb. 20, 1906; res. Buck., unm.
- vi Thelma I., b. Feb. 15, 1908; d. Mar. 7, 1908.
- vii Farewell E., b. Mar. 7, 1909; sometimes called Fowle; res. Buck., unm.
- viii Helen Rose, b. Sept. 11, 1911; res. Buck., unm.
- ix Son, b. Apr. 29, 1914.

5 Isaac W., s. of Isaac(3), b. May 30, 1871; a watchman; m. June 1, 1893, Mary A., dau. of William and Elizabeth (Richmond) Galbraith, who was b. in Canada. Children:

- i Clyde Aubert, b. Mar. 25, 1894; m., res. Lexington.
- ii Vivian M., b. May 17, 1897; res. Buck., unm.
- iii Ralph W., b. Nov. 19, 1900; res. Boston, unm.
- iv Isabelle V., b. Aug. 20, 1904; m. Sept. 7, 1931, Hollis Hill Hamilton, of Lexington.
- v Eleanor E., b. Feb. 9, 1906; m. Aug. 5, 1925, Clifford W. Avery of Colrain.
- vi Ruth G., b. Aug. 10, 1907; m. Oct. 23, 1926, Wilfred E. Miller, Jr., of Colrain.

BOOTH, David, came here from Charlemont abt. 1808, where the births of six children occurred. At Buck. there were born to him. Children:

- i Rhoda L., b. Nov. 25, 1810.
- ii Orman, b. Nov. 25, 1812.

BOOTH, Elvira, a member of the Second Baptist church in 1830.

BOOTH, Henry C., had a child born Dec. 22, 1852.

BOOTH, Josiah, b. in Charlemont, lived for a time in Buckland; d. in Conway July 8, 1891, ae. 88 yrs.; is buried in E. Buck. He m. Nov. 21, 1825, Maria, dau. of Silas Smith of Buck. where she d. Mar. 13, 1845, ae. 30 yrs.; m. (2) May 30, 1845, Esther, dau. of Ariel Ware and wid. of Homer Johnson; she d. May 25, 1895. Children:

- i Alzina E., who d. Jan. 14, 1854, ae. 17 yrs.
- ii Lucy Ann, b. May 25, 1847; m. Sept. 5, 1866, Wilbur Fisk Clark of Buck.

BOOTH, Rufus, m. Aug. 14, 1811, Eliza Dean of Shutesbury. The mar. int. gives the wife's name as Dane.

BORLEN, Mary Ann, b. Chicopee, dau. of Thomas and Catherine Ferrette; d. in Buckland, Nov. 12, 1876, ae. 24.

BORLEN, Peter was living here in 1900.

BOSAK, Paul, native of Austria, d. Buckland, Nov. 5, 1898.

BOSWORTH, Rebecca, d. Mar. 14, 1835, ae. 87 yrs., widow of "the late Edward Bosworth Esq., late of Barrington, R. I."

BOSWORTH, Susanna, wife of Oliver, d. in Buckland, Sept. 4, 1801, ae. 81.



BOWLING, Mary Ann, widow of John, late of New Britian, Ct., was found dead in bed, one date states Sept. 7, 1873. According to probate records there were no known relatives except an adopted son, John Franklin, ae. 14 yrs., who after the death of his mother returned to Boston, his former home.

BOWLING, William H., s. of Thomas and Hannah, b. in Sheffield, Eng., Feb. 1, 1832; lived in Buckland many years and d. here Jan. 12, 1912. He m. (1) Ann —; m. (2) July 4, 1859, Elizabeth Langley of Buckland; m. (3) Ellen, dau. of John and Bridget Lane. She was b. in Middleton, Co. Cork, Ireland. June 18, 1840, d. June 19, 1895 in Buckland. Children:

- i Lucy, b. July 13, 1849 in England; m. (1) James Ritchie; m. (2) May 17, 1880, Orestes Bardwell of Shelburne where she now lives.
- ii Mary Ellen, b. Nov. 15, 1867; m. Dec. 25, 1884, Joseph E. Howson. She now lives on Conway St.
- iii Charlotte, b. Nov. 24, 1869; d. ae. 14 mos.
- iv John Henry, b. May 24, 1867; res. Conway St., unm.
- v William, b. June 13, 1870; d. Aug. 18, 1870.

BOYDEN, Mrs. Cordelia B., m. Sept. 9, 1861 Theodore E. Galer of Dunham, Canada East.

BOYDEN, Elijah, bought land here in 1799; name on the voter's lists of 1806 and 1822. He was b. in 1750; d. Feb. 26, 1834 or 6 (given both ways.) His wife, Ruth Grout, d. Apr. 26, 1831, ae. 79; both died in Buckland. He may have come from West-hampton. W. O. Taylor records to him, children:

- i Joshua, b. June 17, 1775, a voter in 1806 and 1822; m. Jan. 25, 1804, Laura B., dau. of William and Abigail Taylor; she was b. Feb. 19, 1786. Both d. in Shelburne. Had: Amanda, bapt. Mar. 12, 1815; by ch. rec. "Four inf. dhn. bapt. Nov. —, 1811."
- ii Sarah, b. Feb. 18, 1783; m. Jan. 27, 1813, Samuel Allis. At marriage her residence was given as Conway.
- iii Mary (Polly), b. Dec. 12, 1789; m. Nov. 26 or Dec. 27, 1818, Rodolphus Allis.

1 BOYLE, Matthew, b. Ireland; m. Alice Eggleston who d. July 20, 1902, ae. 96. Children, all b. Ireland:

- i John, who d. in Buckland, Aug. 12, 1917, ae. 79, unm.
  - ii Jane, m. Timothy Minnehan, and d. in Buckland, June 1, 1896, ae. 49 yrs.
  - 2 iii William, b. ab. 1846.
  - 3 iv Patrick, b. ab. 1851.
- 2 William, (s. of Matthew(1), b. Ireland, ab. 1846; m. Kate Fitzgerald; res. Buckland. Children:
- i William, b. May 25, 1881; res. Clement St., unm.
  - ii Mary, b. Jan. 11, 1886.
  - iii Ellen, b. Feb. 3, 1887; m. May 22, 1918, Willard A. Pratt of Shelburne.
  - iv Agnes, b. Aug. 16, 1890; m. June 2, 1920, John Joseph O'Connell of Amherst.
- 3 Patrick (s. of Matthew(1)), b. Ireland ab. 1851; d. Buckland June 18, 1930, ae. 76; m. Apr. 27, 1882, Mary, dau. of Patrick and Catherine Murphy. She d. May 1, 1908, ae. 55. (Note. One record places this Patrick as the son of Patrick and Alice Eggleston). Children:
- i Matthew, b. Nov. 21, 1882.
  - ii Elizabeth, b. Dec. 13, 1885; m. Apr. 24, 1916, Charles A. Smith.
  - iii Catherine Theresa, b. May 26, 1895.
- BOYLE, Peter, b. Ireland; m. Ann Winkham. Children, b. Buckland:
- i Mary Ann, b. Apr. 8, 1874.
  - ii Alice, b. Oct. 11, 1875.
  - iii Sarah, b. Jan. 28, 1877.
  - iv Dau., b. Dec. —, 1878.
  - v Matthew, b. July 27, 1880.
  - vi Thomas, b. Feb. 10, 1882.
  - vii Edward, b. Apr. 5, 1884.
- 1 BRACKETT, Nathan<sup>4</sup>, (Nathan<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Richard<sup>1</sup>), b. July 1, 1724 in Braintree; he prob. served in the last French and Indian war. About 1784, rem. to Buckland, where he d. in 1795. He m. Sept. 5, 1749, Hannah Owen. Children:
- i Nathan, b. Feb. 4, 1750 in Quincy; Rev. Sol.; pensioner in 1831 at which time he was living in Buck.; s. p. so far as is known.

- ii Hannah, b. Dec. 4, 1751; d. young.
  - iii Jonathan, b. Aug. 1, 1753; d. Buck., unm.
  - iv Betsey, b. Aug. 27, 1755 in Upton.
  - 2 v Samuel, b. June 29, 1757.
  - vi Sally, b. Sept. 19, 1759 in Upton.
  - 3 vii Benjamin, b. Nov. 10, 1760.
  - viii Hannah, b. Jan. 14, 1763.
  - ix James, b. Jan. 27, 1765 in Upton; rem. Buck. at close of Rev. war, thence to Ashfield and later to Delhi, N. Y., where he d. 1812; m. Jan. 1, 1798, Anna Watson, dau. of Major William Flower of Ashfield. They had eight children b. at Ash. and in N. Y. state.
  - x Rebecca, b. Feb. 2, 1768 in Upton; prob. that Rebecca who m. abt. 1790-95, Edmund Perkins.
  - xi Lois, b. July 2, 1773; d. Buck. Dec. 5 or 26, 1852, unm.
- 2 Samuel, s. of Nathan(1), b. June 29, 1757 in Upton; a Rev. sol. and pensioner; sett. Buck. at close of the war; d. Aug. 21, 1840. He m. Betsey (Elizabeth) dau. of Daniel Leonard. She was b. in Braintree, d. Jan. 15, 1852, ae. 86 yrs. Children:
- i Clarissa, bapt. June 28, 1789.
  - ii Nathan, bapt. Sept. 30, 1790.
  - iii Justus, who d. ae. abt. 21 yrs.
  - 4 iv Apollos, b. 1792, bapt. May 30, 1792.
  - v Nathan, bapt. May 26, 1794.
  - vi Ezra, bapt. May 10, 1795.
  - vii Sally, b. Nov. 22, 1795; m. Mar. 18, 1828-29, Andrew Butler.
  - viii Polly, b. May 29, 1798; m. Aug. 16, 1821, Elmer Frost.
  - ix Sophronia, b. Sept. 1, 1805; m. Jan. 12, 1834, Consider Arms Taylor.
- 3 Benjamin, s. of Nathan(1), b. Nov. 10, 1760 in Upton; Rev. sol. and pensioner; rem. to Buck. at close of war and d. at either Buck. or Hawley, July 24, 1835; He m. Susanna Washburn. Children:
- 5 i Martin, b. abt. 1787.
  - ii Betsey, bapt. Oct. 18, 1789.
  - iii Martha, bapt. Oct. 18, 1789.
  - iv Benjamin, bapt. June 26, 1791; res. Adams or Hawley.



- v Jonathan, b. Dec. 19, 1792; res. Hawley and had Luana, b. in Buck., Mar. 25, 1827.
- vi Ezra, b. Jan. 17, 1795 in Ashfield.
- vii Nancy.

4 Apollos, s. of Samuel(2), b. 1792 and bapt. May 30 of that yr.; shoe-maker and farmer; selectman. Lived for a time in Virginia where he m. his first wife. Abt. the time of her death he ret. to Buck. where he d. July 16, 1862. He m. (2) Oct. —, 1825, Lucretia, dau. of John and Lois (Cranston) Ward; she was b. Oct. 24, 1793; d. Jan. 10, 1854. By probate paper his wid. was Betsey. Children:

- 6 i Samuel, b. 1828.
- ii Lucretia, b. 1830; d. Jan. 9, 1906.
- iii Caroline, b. 1833; m. Sanderson Ruddock.
- iv Apollos, b. 1837; m. Ruth C. Eldridge; d. June 10, 1920.

5 Martin, s. of Benjamin(3), b. abt. 1787; d. July 24, 1840, ae. 53 yrs. He m. by one rec., Lydia Washburn of Buck. The Hist. of Goshen says he m. Oct. 25, 1812, Polly Moore. The probate rec. give the name of wife as Sally and that she married a second time prior to Dec. 17, 1849. Had:

- i Lydia, who was a minor above fourteen years of age at the time of her mother's second mar.

6 Samuel, s. of Apollos(4), b. 1828; d. 1898; rem. from Buck. to Hawley. He m. at So. Halifax, Vt., Eliza, dau. of Levi Stetson. She was b. in Plainfield in 1817 and d. May 19, 1910. Children:

- i Eliza V., m. at Hawley, Feb. 15, 1872, Miller F. Mantor of Buck.
- ii Flora L., m. Dec. 30, 1877, Charles T. Boehmer; res. New Britian, Ct.; d. May 27, 1910, ae. 54 yrs.

1 BRADFORD, Lyman, s. of Edward and Lucy (Farley), b. at Conway; came to Buck. from Florence. He was a veteran of the Civil War, enlisting from Conway; an esteemed citizen, merchant, and for about thirteen years, postmaster at Buck.; d. Apr. 30, 1892. He m. Anna L., dau. of Frank and Maria (Howes) Ranney of Ashfield; she d. Mar. 7, 1920, ae. 78 yrs. Children:

- i Winifred A., res. Easthampton.

- 2 ii Edward C., b. Oct. 23, 1871.
- iii Mabel M., m. July 29, 1904, Dr. John Greaves of Buck.
- iv Frank L.

2 Edward C., s. of Lyman(1), b. Oct. 23, 1871; was senior member of the firm of Bradford and Hunt, merchants of Buck.; d. Nov. 17, 1905. He m. June 23, 1896, Mary E., dau. of Frank and Lizzie P. Robinson of Goshen. She m. (2) June 2, 1908, Gilbert Griswold. Children:

- i Mildred E., b. Oct. 4, 1898; m. Sept. 1, 1920, Clifton William Scott of Buck.
- ii Eleanor R., b. Jan. 20, 1901.

BRADFORD, Elmie J., Mrs., b. 1844, prob. wid. of J. L. of Ashfield. Children:

- i Elsie W., b. 1874; d. Apr. 17, 1930.
- ii George W., b. 1878, res. Buck., unm.

BRAMAN, Edwin H., s. of Samuel and Laura; m. Nov. 19, 1872, Luella D. Phipps of Charlemont. Children:

- i Laura Etta, b. Apr. 7, 1875.
- ii Luther M., b. Sept. 15, 1877.
- iii Lida Emma, b. Nov. 20, 1879.

BRAMAN, Marshall, d. Feb. 18, 1866, ae. 12 yrs.

BRAMAN, Widow Rebecca, d. Mar. 3, 1858, ae. 79 yrs. She was of Shel. 1814.

1 BRAY, Robert, s. of James, b. in Bradford, Eng., Mar. 31, 1818, came to America in 1845, settling for a time in Greenfield; d. Apr. 3, 1890. He m. June 8, 1840, Amelia, dau. of William and Charlotte Baker, b. in Bradford, Eng., June 23, 1820; d. Sept. 1, 1908. Children:

- i James A., b. in Eng., Mar. 31, 1841; d. Granby, Mass., Feb. 14, 1919.
- ii George W., b. in Eng., Sept. 28, 1843; d. Dec. 3, 1920 in Chicopee Falls.
- iii William H., b. in Eng., Apr. 13, 1846; d. July 10, 1897, in Springfield.
- iv Worthy Benjamin, b. May 7, 1851; d. in Nashua, Fla., Feb. 28, 1916. He m. June 1, 1876, Lora E.,

dau. of Edmund and Mary Smith. She was b. in Buckland Aug. 12, 1854; d. Oct. 20, 1879; had: Florence Amelia, b. Dec. 26, 1877.

v Rozena Charlotte, b. in Greenfield, Feb. 17, 1853; d. in Buckland, Oct. 26, 1885.

vi Sarah Ann, b. in Heath, Feb. 21, 1857; d. June 16, 1922, unm.

vii Martha Amelia, b. Nov. 22, 1859; res. Buckland, unm.

2 viii Albert C., b. in Buckland, Oct. 21, 1866.

2 Albert C., s. of Robert(1), b. in Buckland, Oct. 21, 1866, res. Ashfield Street on the farm formerly owned by Joseph Whiting. Mr. Bray is actively interested in all that pertains to Buckland; served as town clerk thirty-seven years; is trustee of Shelburne Falls Savings Bank, Arms Academy and Arms Library. He has represented Buckland in the House two years and for a like time in the Mass. Senate. At the Sesqui-Centennial celebration, he was chairman of the day. He m. June 11, 1890, Susie A., dau. of Joseph W. and Diadama Whiting. Children:

i Deane Whiting, b. July 6, 1892; m. June 11, 1915, Dorothy O., dau. of George and Nellie Fisher Warner of Shelburne. Res. Amherst.

ii Francis Robert, b. Sept. 1893; res. Buckland.

iii Gladys D., b. Jan. 27, 1897; m. Feb. 5, 1924, Philip A. Joyce.

BRIGGS, Huldah, d. Apr. 6, 1848, in her 77th year.

BRONSON, SMISSON, b. in New Britain, Ct., soldier in War of 1812, a res. of Ashfield at time of mar., was a voter in town in 1822; d. 1837, prob. prior to June; m. Oct. 21, 1812 Elizabeth, dau. of Jesse Edson of Buckland. She was b. May 22, 1795 or June 1, 1789; d. Dec. 31, 1853. She m. (2), Mar. 1, 1838, Rodolphus Allis. Children:

i Susan, m. Mar. 11, 1881, Moses Nelson of Buckland; d. July 12, 1901, ae. 86.

ii Jesse E., d. Oct. 20, 1868, ae. 50.

iii Charlotte, d. June 19, 1881, ae. 67 yrs.

iv Fidelia, m. — Lamb.

BRONSON, Perley C., s. of Chandler and Parney M. (Edson), b. Ashfield; m. Jan. 16, 1893, Nettie E., dau. of Frank and Caira



(Caswell) Russell of No. Hadley; she d. Feb. 7, 1898, ae. 24; m. (2) June 28, 1930, Edith M., dau. James and Mary (Wood) Wiley. She was b. July 11, 1875. Resides Buckland Center. Children:

- i Albert Russell,
- ii Caira E., b. Aug. 10, 1893.
- iii Harold, b. Aug. 3, 1894.
- iv Nettie Russell, b. Jan. 17, 1898.

BRONSON, Widow Parney, died Dec. 1, 1907, ae. 77, dau. of Jesse and Lucy (Cross) Edson, b. in Ashfield.

BRONSON, Sarah A. (dau. of Adolphus Alvord of Shelburne), widow, b. in Shelburne, Mar. 18, 1822; d. in Buckland, Nov. 21, 1907.

1 BROOKS, Alpheus, s. of Thomas of Lancaster, b. June 4, 1763 or 8 in Lancaster; sett. Buckland before 1790; d. Nov. 19, 1852. Served several terms as town treasurer, the first in 1799, so far as is known. He m. 1789, Sophia, dau. of Josiah and Parna (Brooks) White of Charlemont. She was b. in Leominster, Oct. 10, 1773; d. Jan. 1, 1855. Children, b. Buck:

- i Sophia, b. 1792; m. June 18, 1812, Stephen Temple Jr. of Buck. (Ch. rec.); res. Stockton, N. Y.
- ii Polly, b. 1793; m. Jan. 15, 1812, Martin Howard of Charlemont.
- iii Parnee, b. 1704; d. infancy.
- iv Harriet, b. 1796; m. Sept. 4, 1816, George Hinckley of Pomfret, N. Y.; d. May 14, 1840.
- v Parnee, b. 1798; d. Jan. 9, 1880.
- vi Theodocia, b. (?) Feb. 1800, bapt. Mar. 30, 1800; m. 1824, Solomon Hinckley; m. (2) — Stoddard; d. 1843.
- vii Julia B., b. (?) Sept. 1800; m. Nov. 11, 1831 Rev. Ephraim Spaulding of Ludlow, Vt.
- viii Fanny, b. Feb. 17, 1801; m. May —, 1824, Calvin Pomeroy; res. Buck.
- ix Emily B., b. Oct. —, 1803; d. July 23, 1828.
- 2 x Alpheus Jr., b. Feb. —, 1805.
- xi Dexter, b. Sept. —, 1806; d. in New Orleans, La., May 25, 1852.

- xii Minerva, b. Sept. —, 1808; d. Aug. 23, 1829.
  - xiii Sidney, b. Aug. —, 1811; m. Lucy ——. Probably that Dr. Sidney who was drowned near New London, Ct., June 20, 1863. Had Henry Leavett Brooks, b. prior to July, 1845.
  - xiv Catherine, b. Oct. 31, 1813; m. Apr. 9, 1839, Dr. Nathaniel Gilman Trow.
  - xv Caroline Amanda, b. Sept. 15, 1815; m. June 21, 1842, Dr. Josiah Trow. There were said to have been three more children, names unk. May have d. young.
- 2 Alpheus Jr., s. of Alpheus(1), b. Feb. 1805; d. at Northampton, Oct. 30, 1886. He was selectman and assessor, also town treasurer; m. Oct. 3, 1829, Elizabeth, dau. of Robert Lazell, Sr. Children:
- i Child, d. in 1830. (Church rec.)
  - ii Child, d. in 1831. (Church rec.)
  - iii Julia, d. unm.
  - iv Edward, m. Mar. 30, 1859, Lydia C. Butler of Buckland.
  - v Sophia, m. Henry G. Maynard, a brother of Edward Brooks' wife.
  - vi Herbert L., m. 1865, Isador Pettibone of Ashfield and had a son b. Nov. 3, 1865.
- BROOKS, Amos, s. of Thomas of Lancaster and brother of Alpheus above, lived for a time in Buckland but finally settled in Heath. Served in War of 1812, m. June 29, 1802, Lucy, dau. of James Butler. They had twelve children, all born in Heath.
- BROOKS, Jabez, s. of Thomas of Lancaster and brother of Alpheus and Amos above, b. June 1, 1773 at Lancaster; m. Nov. 21, 1798, Olive, dau. of Enos Taylor of Buckland. She was b. June 18, 1778; d. May 19, 1808; m. (2) Oct. 5, 1808, Polly, dau. of Gardner Wilder of Buckland; she was b. 1785; d. Dec. 30, 1865. Children:
- i Olive, b. Nov. 4, 1800; m. Sept. 21, 1820, Alvah Lazell.
  - ii Hannah, d. Apr. or Aug. 2, 1803, ae. 10 mos.
  - iii Calvin, m. and res. on Long Island, N. Y.
  - iv Taylor, m. and d. at Springfield.
  - v Infant, d. Mar. 5, 1810.

- vi Edwin, d. July 29, 1811.
- vii Infant, d. June 23, 1812.
- viii Hannah, d. Sept. 8 or 18, 1822, ae. 18 or 19 yrs.
- ix Polly, prob., d. May, 1801.

BROOKS, Asher J. (s. of Martin F., b. Ireland, came to America, before 1860) b. Apr. 15, 1863 in Hydeville, Vt. Was tax collector of Buckland; m. (1) Dec. 25, 1889, Margaret, dau. of John and Margaret Slater of Buckland. She d. May 6, 1909; m. (2), Mar. 21, 1914, Mrs. Matilda A. Clair, dau. of Joseph and Matilda Beau-reguard, b. Swanton, Vt. She d. Sept. 11, 1925, ae. 55; m. (3) Mar. 9, 1929, Mrs. Mabel Bostley, dau. of Eli and Rose Barnish. No children.

BROWN, Adelbert (Albert L. ae. 37, G. R.), s. of Lucius and Abigail Z., b. Ashfield; d. Buckland, July 28, 1888, ae. 27, married.

BROWN, A. E.; living here in 1900.

BROWN, Mrs. Ann, b. England, (dau. of Alexander and Mary Selby), d. Mar. 26, 1876, ae. 56. Probate records give as children, Alfred Smedly and Lucy Grinnell. Mrs. Ann Smedley, m. Aug. 2, 1864, Joseph Brown of Shelburne.

BROWN, Anna J., m. Nov. 29, 1876, Manley Stetson of Ashfield.

BROWN, Emeline, m. Apr. 5, 1871, George H. Stetson of Dalton. (Ch. Rec.)

BROWN, Hannum, s. of Sumner F., b. Florida, Mass., husband of Helen Reed; d. Sept. 16, 1929, ae. 69.

BROWN, Harvey E., b. England; m. Martha Reed. Children:

- i Child, b. Dec. 2, 1874.
- ii Ada, b. Dec. 2, 1875.

BROWN, Jacob, d. Sept. 6, 1870, ae. 64; his wife Brittania, d. Feb. 7, 1876, ae. 66. Children (by Probate records):

- i Sybil C., m. Jan. 16, 1867, Lorenzo F. Tolman of Buckland.
- ii Lucy A., m. William Bemis; she d. Feb. 16, 1869, ae. 29.
- iii Berila G., m. — Stockwell of Buckland and d. prior to Sept. 6, 1870.
- iv Lucina, m. Warren Johnson of Charlemont.



- v Arzina, m. William Steele of Charlemont.
- vi J. Lorenzo, resided Buckland.

BROWN, J. S. selectman and overseer of the poor in 1849.

BROWN, Judson S., mechanic, C. W. Boylston and Luseba N., b. Heath. Had: S. Alton Judson, b. Oct. 9, 1848.

BROWN, Josiah, here in 1790 at which time his family contained three males under sixteen, and three females. His name does not appear on the voting lists of 1806 or 1822. He and his wife Susanna were members of the Church of Christ (Congregational) in Buckland. The church records contain the known names of his children:

- i Anna, bapt. Aug. 1786.
- ii Joseph, bapt. Nov. 16, 1788 by Rev. Hallock.
- iii Asaph, bapt. June 6, 1791.
- iv Lydia, bapt. Sept. 22, 1793.

Samuel Brown who was b. in Buck. July 4, 1783, and rem. to Newfane, Vt., in 1812, may have been another of the children of this Josiah.

BROWN, Lorenzo, had a daughter, b. Sept. 28, 1868; perhaps identical with J. Lorenzo, s. of Jacob and Britannia above.

1 BROWN, Luke, was pub. May 15, 1802, with Candace Town of Plainfield. Had:

- 2 i Lucius D., b. in New York state.

2 Lucius, s. of Luke(1), b. in New York state and d. in Buck. June 19, 1902, ae. 82 yrs. He m. Zilpha, dau. of Younglove Town; she was b. in Plainfield Feb. 21, 1828; d. Sept. 2, 1909. Children:

- i Emeline Melissa, b. Nov. 21, 1847.
- ii Olive A., b. Apr. 21, 1849; d. Apr. 20, 1907, unm.

BROWN, Lester T., m. Martha E., dau. of Abraham Shippee; she was b. in Heath; d. Mar. 19, 1903, ae. 73 yrs. Children:

- i Ella L., m. — Guilford of Northampton.
- ii Cora, m. — Wells of Lowell.
- iii Susan, res. Buck.
- iv Mattie B., m. — Nye of Conway. She d. prior to Mar. 19, 1903.

BROWN, Martin, had a dau., b. Sept. 22, 1868.

BROWN, Samuel, s. of Samuel and Mary, b. Heath; d. May 6, 1873, ae. 56 yrs. m. Calista G. —. Children:

- i George N., res. Buck.
- ii Henry M., res. Buck.

BROWN, Samuel, d. Aug. 23, 1869. By probate records left no wid.; heirs were; Samuel Brown Jr., of Buck.; Mrs. Climena Allen of Kansas, deceased; Joseph Dwight Brown of Wisconsin; Joel N. Brown of Iowa; heirs of George R. Brown of Iowa, deceased.

BROWN, Sarah L., m. Nov. 21, 1864, William Mitchell of Shel.

BROWN, William Elwell, b. Harpers Ferry, Va.; a butter-maker. His wife Mabelle L.—, was b. in Conway. Had:

- i Leroy Elwell, b. Apr. 17, 1895.

BROWNSON, see BRONSON.

BULLARD, John was a land owner here in 1793. He d. Feb. 24, 1820, ae. 70. His wife Ruth, d. Apr. 21, 1842, ae. 81. John Bullard was a Rev. soldier. No heirs other than wife mentioned in estate.

BULLARD, John, 2d. of Buckland pub. Dec. 26, 1799, with Mary Clark of Charlemont. She prob. m. (2) as second wife, Sept. 1, 1842, Chester Bardwell of Whately. Had:

- i John, bapt. Oct. 13, 1811.
- ii Byman, prob. bapt. June 16, 1805.
- iii Otis, prob. bapt. July 8, 1804.

BULLARD, Luther, was representative from Buckland in 1855; d. Feb. 17, 1892; m. May 1, 1837, Sarah Baily, dau. of Moses Clement and sister of William F. Clement of Buckland. She was b. in Worcester, Nov. 15, 1817; d. Mar. 26, 1866.

1 BURDICK, Mark, s. of Luke of Bennington, Vt., was b. at No. Adams; d. Dec. 22, 1928, ae. 63 yrs. Upon his marriage he settled in No. Adams, moved to Buckland in 1895 remaining about two years when he returned to No. Adams. There he made his home until May, 1908 when he came to Buckland again, and remained during his life. He m. May 17, 1893, Mary

T., dau. of Austin S. Wells. She was b. May 14, 1869, now lives in Buckland near the R. R. Station. Children:

- i Herman Will, b. Apr. 4, 1894 at No. Adams; m. June 2, 1915, Lois M., dau. of Andrew and Mary (Mason) Flanders of Buckland.
- 2 ii Luke Andrew, b. Nov. 15, 1895 in Buckland.
- iii Kenneth E., b. Sept. 29, 1903 in No. Adams. Res. Buckland, unm.
- iv Wayne A., b. Feb. 24, 1910; m. July 12, 1930, Madeline M., dau. of Winn and Rose Phillips of Shelburne. Res. Buckland.
- v Leslie, b. Mar. 4, 1912; res. Buckland.

2 Luke Andrew, s. of Mark(1), b. Nov. 15, 1895 in Buckland, where he now lives; m. (1) June 18, 1919, Beatrice, dau. of James and Catherine McClaren; m. (2) June 6, 1928, Hilda E., dau. of Sumner and Anna B. Duffee of Shelburne. He is a painter by occupation. Children:

- i Catherine Mary, b. May 5, 1921.
- ii Charles Andrew, b. May 31, 1929.
- iii Lawrence Russell, b. July 9, 1930.
- iv William Parker, b. Dec. 11, 1931; d. Jan. 31, 1932.

BURGER, John, was here in 1790, with a family composed of one male under sixteen, four females including the head of the family.

BURGIN, Chandler, Capt. He and his wife Jemima, were admitted to the Congregational Church June 15, 1789. He came abt. 1784 from Charlemont. He may have had a second wife, Sally. Children:

- i Sarah, b. Jan. 2, 1780.
- ii Nabby (Abigail), b. July 30, 1781.
- iii Lovica, dau. of Chandler and Sally, bapt. May 30, 1792.

BURTON, Rachel, wife of Samuel, formerly of Chatham, Ct., d. early in 1817, ae. 67 years.

BUSHNELL, David, was here in 1790 with his wife and a son under sixteen.



1 BUTLER, James<sup>4</sup>, (Simon<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, James<sup>1</sup>), b. Leominster Apr. 8, 1752; d. Nov. 19, 1801 or 1807; m. Jan. 1777, Sarah, dau. of John and Lucy (Wilder) Joslyn, b. Apr. 3, 1756 at Leominster. She m. (2) Feb. 10, 1806, Levi Stearns of Charlemont and d. Mar. 12, 1830. James Butler and wife rem. soon after their marriage to Charlemont, where he had previously prepared a home, settling in that part incorporated as Buckland in 1779. He served in the Rev. War, and was Corporal and Lieutenant. Children, so far as known:

- i Sarah, b. Nov. 1, 1777; m. 1796 (pub. Aug. 27) Samuel Taylor, Jr.
- ii James, b. bet. 1777 and 1781; m. (pub. Jan. 26, 1802) Nancy, dau. of Josiah and Polly Ward of Heath; rem. after 1810 to N. Y. state. A son George Joslyn Butler, was bapt. in Buckland, Mar. 22, 1807.
- iii Betsey, b. ab. 1781; m. Feb. 10, 1806, Levi Taylor; rem. to Northfield, O.

2 iv Samuel, b. ab. 1783.

- v Roswell, bapt. Aug. 1787; pub. with Esther Pratt, or Esther Purrington, Nov. 29, 1808. He d. Dec. 25, 1808.
- vi Diantha, b. Oct. 17, 1788; m. Jan. 4, 1809, Elisha Smith of Buckland.
- vii Clarissa, b. Oct. 24, 1790; m. Sept. 9, 1813, John Chilson.
- viii Lucy, b. bet. 1790 and 1797; m. June 29, 1802, Amos Brooks of Heath.
- ix Minerva, b. bet. 1790 and 1797; m. Sept. 3, 1812, Edward Phelps of Heath; sett. Salisbury, Vt.
- x Patty, b. May 5, 1797; m. Dec. 3, 1818, Israel D. Allis of Conway; d. Mar. 24, 1876.
- xi Cynthia, bapt. Dec. 27, 1799; d. Jan. 10, 1815.
- xii Delia, bp. Jan. 20, 1805.

2 Samuel, s. of James(1), b. ab. 1783, According to the church record, m. Lucinda Ames, Jan. 4, 1809. The publication of marriage, Nov. 29, 1808, gives the name as Lucinda Howes. Lucinda was b. 1794; d. Mar. 18, 1854; He d. Feb. 26, 1845, ae. 61. Children:

- i Amelia, b. after 1809; m. William Patch, Jr.; d. July 28, 1835, ae. 19.
  - ii Roswell, b. Jan. 1815; d. Feb. 26, 1815.
  - iii Samuel, bapt. Oct. 11, 1818; d. July 27, 1819.
  - iv Lucinda, m. Oct. 13, 1836, Rev. Reed Wilkinson; res. Townsend, Vt.
  - v Nancy.
  - vi Susan A., d. Knoxville, Tenn., Feb. 9, 1857, ae. 27.
  - vii Milford Clark, b. 1825; grad. Amherst Col. in 1851. In 1901 was at St. Louis, Mo.
  - viii Henry M., bapt. 1831. In 1874 was teaching music in St. Louis, Mo.
  - ix Sarah Ann, b. Aug. 6, 1829.
  - x William R., b. after 1831.
- 1 BUTLER, Peter Jr., s. of Peter, b. 1748; d. in Buck., Apr. 2, 1836. According to town records, he came with his wife Anna from Cape Cod. By family records Anna was a dau. of John Bass of Braintree. Another record gives his wife as Martha Bass. Wife died Apr. 24, 1833, ae. 75 yrs. This family was here as early as 1790 and Peter Butler was a Rev. sol. Children:
- i Ruth, b. Nov. 28, 1790; m. Nov. 4, 1809, Arnold Streeter of Plainfield.
  - ii Urban, b. Sept. 17, 1792.
  - iii Peter, b. Dec. 19, 1794; d. July 18, 1796.
- 2 iv Andrew, b. Mar. 22, 1797.
- v Ann, b. Mar. 7, 1799.
- 3 vi Peter, b. Apr. 26, 1802.
- 2 Andrew, s. of Peter(1), b. Mar. 22, 1797; d. Sept. 21, 1880. He m. Mar. 18, 1828, Sarah, dau. of Samuel Brackett. She was b. Nov. 22, 1795; d. Mar. 31, 1876. Children:
- i Child, d. May 14, 1842.
  - ii Frank, b. Jan. 17, 1830; killed in Union army Sept. 20, 1864; Captain of Co. L., 51st reg. N. Y. Vol.
  - iii Angelia, b. June 7, 1833; m. May 29, 1864, James W. Doane; She d. Dec. 5, 1904.
- 4 iv Melville Cox, b. Dec. 2, 1834.
- 3 Peter, s. of Peter(1), b. Apr. 26, 1802; a mechanic; d. Oct.

29, 1867. He m. 1824, Lydia Nelson who d. Sept. 9, 1865, ae. 61 yrs. Children:

- i Leander, b. 1825; d. Dec. 4, 1829.
- ii Martha Rosalia, b. 1827; d. Nov. 7 or 8, 1846.
- iii Sarah Ann, b. Aug. 6, 1829; m. (1) Apr. 19, 1849, Andrew L. Elmer of Buck., m. (2) Oct. 28, 1869, William Harrison Elmer and rem. to Ashfield.
- iv Calvin Leander, b. Oct. 19, 1831; sett. in Greenfield.
- v Nelson Carlos, b. Mar. 7, 1834; sett. in Greenfield.
- vi Augusta, b. Aug. 17, 1836; m. Jan. 14, 1864, Myron Elmer; d. Northampton.
- vii Lydia, b. Feb. 9, 1839; d. in Northampton, Dec. 25, 1908; m. Mar. 30, 1859, Edward A. Brooks of Buck.
- viii Caroline, b. Mar. 14, 1842; d. Nov. 14, 1918; m. June 11, 1865, Truman E. Ward of Montague.
- ix Victor Peter, b. Jan. 21, 1845; d. Mar. 14, 1868.

4 Melville Cox, s. of Andrew(2), b. Dec. 2, 1834; d. Sept. 2, 1899; member of Co. K. Mass. Vol. Militia. He m. Adella N. Denning. She was b. in Castleton, Vt., Apr. 21, 1850; d. Dec. 30, 1900. Children:

- i Frank Jewett, b. Jan. 8, 1874.
- ii Sarah M., b. Oct. 20, 1876.
- iii Claradell C., b. Nov. 11, 1880.

BUTLER, Simeon<sup>4</sup>, (Simeon<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, James<sup>1</sup>), b. June 7, 1741; was of Heath 1796-1799. Appears at Buck. 1801-1804 and is then lost sight of. His wife's name was Dupline.

BUTLER, John; name on voting list of 1900.

CALL, Arthur H., s. of Charles and Mary A. (Johnson), b. Colrain; d. in Buckland, Mar. 27, 1923, ae. 68 yrs.; m. Amelia Dawson. Children:

- i Grace E., m. — Getman of North Adams.
- ii Mabel B., m. June 9, 1909, Roy S. Turton of Buckland.
- iii Florence Ruth.

1 CALL, Charles, s. of Oscar and Evie (Norton), b. Colrain; m. Mar. 26, 1894, Mary, dau. of John and Margaret (Looman) Hayes; was living in Buckland in 1900. Children:

- i Son, b. and d. July 15, 1895.



- 2 ii John Oscar.
- iii Eva Allis, Apr. 22, 1899; m. Jan. 7, 1917, Francis E. Canady, b. in Heath.
- iv Marie Viola, b. June 16, 1903; m. Oct. 25, 1920, Peter George Arabia, b. Buckland.
- v Glenn Percy, b. Feb. 15, 1907; m. June 27, 1927, May Clark, dau. of George W. Bassett of Buckland.
- vi Eugene C., b. Sept. 18, 1909.
- vii Dorothy M., b. Apr. 25, 1911; d. Feb. 11, 1931.
- viii Marjorie R., b. May 15, 1912; m. Nov. 23, 1931, John S. Wesolowski of Greenfield.

2 John Oscar, s. of Charles(1), m. Sept. 29, 1916, Millie, dau. of Gustave and Louise (Schontag) Stanger, of Buckland. Children:

- i John Alfred, b. Dec. 31, 1917.
- ii Mildred E., b. Mar. 10, 1919.

CALL, Frederick J., b. Colrain; has a garage; m. June 26, 1926, Helen M. dau. Hezekiah E. Ward. Had:

- i Frederick R., b. Nov. 9, 1927.

CALL, Levi, d. in Buckland, Aug. 1836, ae. 28 yrs.

CALL, Violet and Olive, joined the Second or re-organized Baptist Church in 1831.

CALL, Stephen and Mary joined the Second or re-organized Baptist church in 1838; had a son b. Jan. 6, 1844.

CALVERT, Ann, d. at Buckland, May 9, 1923 leaving as next of kin, brother, Wilfred Herring of Sheffield, Eng.; sister Elizabeth Beard also of Sheffield, Eng.; her late husband's dau. Emma Richmond, and late husband's sister Caroline Koch.

CALVERT, Mrs. Elizabeth, wife of Thomas, d. Sept. 14, 1882. Children:

- i John E., who had a son b. Apr. 15, 1876; d. next day.
- ii Emma, m. Louis Haigis of Shelburne Falls.
- iii Richard N. who had daughter, b. Nov. 9, 1870; daughter, b. Feb. 13, 1872.
- iv Sarah Ann.
- v Caroline, b. at Leeds, Eng.; m. May 8, 1875, Simon Koch of Buckland; d. Oct. 17, 1930, ae. 82 yrs.
- vi Fanny, m. — Luippold; res. Bridgeport, Ct.

CALVERT, Louisa Grace, pr. dau. of Mrs. Ann above, d. Oct. 21, 1872, ae. 24 yrs.

1 CARDWELL, John, b. Sheffield, Eng.; d. Jan. 6, 1899, ae. 55 yrs.; m. (1) Mary Ann, dau. of Thomas Herring; she was b. Sept. 15, 1843 at Little Sheffield, Eng. She d. Jan. 22, 1892; m. (2) Mrs. Sarah Ann Torseal, dau. of William and Martha Thompson, b. also in Eng. She now lives in Providence, R. I. Children:

- 2 i John A., b. Sept. 16, 1870 in Little Sheffield.
- ii James, b. Mar. 13, 1872 in Little Sheffield; deceased; lived in Athol.
- iii Clara, b. Aug. 7, 1875 in Little Sheffield; m. Oct. 13, 1892, William Emerson of Shelburne Falls; res. Brattleboro, Vt.
- iv George, b. Apr. 13, 1878 in Buckland; m. Dec. 18, 1900, Sarah J., dau. of Joseph and Jane (Taylor) Emerson. Res. Shel. Falls.
- v Martha A., b. July 11, 1880 in Buckland; m. Adolph C. Swezey; res. Malden.
- vi Frank H., b. July 11, 1883 in Buckland; d. abt. 1917; res. Shel. Falls.
- vii May Belle, b. May 16, 1893; m. Eugene Lang; res. Providence, R. I.

2 CARDWELL, John A., s. of John(1), b. Little Sheffield, England, Sept. 16, 1870; m. Nov. 27, 1902, Victoria, dau. of John and Mary (Herring) Paul, b. in Georgeville, R. I. Children:

- 3 i Harold Joseph, b. Aug. 14, 1904.
- ii Doris, twin, b. Aug. 16, 1906.
- iii Dorothy, twin, b. Aug. 16, 1906.
- iv Paul John, b. July 31, 1908.
- v Kenneth Arthur, b. Nov. 6, 1910.
- vi John Francis, b. Sept. 12, 1917; d. Jan. 12, 1918.
- vii Ruth Victoria, b. Mar. 1, 1919.
- viii Francis William, b. Aug. 17, 1921.

3 Harold Joseph, s. of John(2), b. Aug. 14, 1904; m. May 22, 1925, Olive L., dau. of Arnold T. Sr. and Adelia B. Rhodes, of Corinth, N. Y. Res. Green St., Buckland. Has:

- i Betty Jane, b. Nov. 29, 1926.

CARLSON, Johanna Louise, dau. of Carl and Christina (Nelson), b. Sweden, 1866; m. June 13, 1891, John A. Sandberg, also b. in Sweden.

CARLSON, John A., s. of Carl and Christina (Nelson), b. Sweden; m. Oct. 8, 1898, Jennie S., dau. of Alec and Augusta Hallberg, b. in Sweden. He d. Oct. 12, 1921 and she m. (2) Jan. 27, 1928, John Oxley of Buckland, b. in Chesterfield, Eng. Children:

- i Esther E., b. Jan. 7, 1900.
- ii Mildred E., b. July 20, 1902; d. Apr. 30, 1919.
- iii Earl A., b. Dec. 31, 1909.

CARLSON, Neils John, s. of Carl and Christina (Nelson), b. in Sweden; d. in Buckland, Feb. 22, 1923, ae. 72, unm.

CARLTON, name changed from KILTON in 1834. James; m. Hannah, dau. of Jeremiah Ward of Buckland. She was b. Feb. 27, 1809. Children, b. KILTON, name changed to Carlton:

- i William A.
- ii Mary E., m. — Chambers; d. Nov. 23, 1871, ae. 43 yrs.
- iii Sabra Willis.
- iv Jane Lurissa.

CARLTON, Nellie S., wife of E. P., and dau. of Jonathan Pierce of Amherst, d. Jan. 28, 1862 in her twenty-third year.

CARR, John, Dea., perhaps from Plainfield, d. Aug. 3 or 7, 1846, ae. 61; his widow Phebe, d. Aug. 29 or 30, 1849, ae. 66. Left a brother in N. Y. state but no children. His heirs at law were; Sarah Bachellor, Dorothy Carr, d. Feb. 21, 1849, ae. 60, Candace Howard.

CARR, Dorothy, d. Feb. 21, 1849, ae. 60 yrs.

CARR, George Winslow, m. Nov. 12, 1895, Pamela, dau. of Alvah Lazell, and widow of Fred or Winslow Burdick. He d. Jan. 27, 1907.

CARRIER, Elias, d. Dec. 10, 1854, ae. 24 yrs.

CARRIER, Elizabeth, d. May 4, 1872, ae. 89 yrs.

CARTER, Asa<sup>5</sup>, (Nathaniel<sup>4</sup>, Samuel<sup>3</sup>, Rev. Samuel<sup>2</sup>, Rev. Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. at Leominster, May 6, 1750; m. May 7, 1774, Betty Wood. She was b. Sept. 27, 1753; d. Jan. 15, 1811. They



sett. at Buckland, remaining until about 1781, when they removed to Jaffrey, N. H. Later returned to Leominster, where he d. Jan. 21, 1822. Children:

- i Eunice, b. Leominster, June 17, 1774; d. Charlestown, N. H., June 7, 1816.
- ii Nathaniel, b. Charlemont, now Buckland, Oct. 12, 1776; d. Aug. 8, 1784.
- iii Joel, b. Charlemont, now Buckland, Sept. 16, 1778; d. Whitehall, N. Y.
- iv Asa, b. Charlemont, now Buckland, twin, May 23, 1780; m. Sarah Larry. s. p.
- v Abel, b. Charlemont, now Buckland, twin May 23, 1780; m. Lucy Wilder. Four more all of whom d. young, born after the family left Buckland.

1 CARTER, Elias<sup>5</sup>, (Nathaniel<sup>4</sup>, Samuel<sup>3</sup>, Rev. Samuel<sup>2</sup>, Rev. Thomas<sup>1</sup>), brother of Asa, b. Leominster, Nov. 24, 1737; d. Dec. 21, 1821; m. Nov. 15, 1760, Deborah, eldest child of Josiah and Deborah White, b. at Leominster, Dec. 24, 1739; d. at Buckland, June 23, 1810. On Aug. 6, 1774, Elias Carter sold his home in Leominster and bought Jan. 1, 1774, of Stephen and Sarah Minott of Boston, 424 acres of land in Buckland for 127 pounds, 4 shillings. He served in the Revolutionary War, his son Elijah, then a boy of fourteen, accompanying him. Concerning his experience in the Crown Point expedition in the earlier French and Indian War the following is taken from a petition in the State House, Boston:

"Returning home from Camp last fall, my son Elias Carter was taken very sick and so remained for seventeen days at Sheffield, and above the Doctor's bill, it cost me thirty Shillings for my expenses, and thirteen Shillings and four pence for horse hire to fetch my son home, besides my time, which I would humbly pray your Excellency and Honour to allow your Petitioner, as in duty bound."

(Signed) Nathaniel Carter (Father of Elias.)

March 17, 1756 allowed by the Committee, Samuel Witt. Children:

- 2 i Elijah, b. Jan. 16, 1762 in Leominster.

- ii Elizabeth, b. July 26, 1763 in Leominster; m. in Buckland, Aug. 2, 1781, Lt. Tertius Taylor, of Charlemont and Buckland.
  - 3 iii Elias, b. July 18, 1765 in Leominster.
  - 4 iv Benjamin, b. Apr. 6, 1767 in Leominster.
  - v Deborah, b. Jan. 4, 1769 in Leominster; m. Benjamin Brooks; rem. to N. Y. State.
  - vi Luke, b. Jan. 14, 1771 in Leominster; m. Apr. 21, 1811 Widow Alice (Rudd) Fales (W. O. Taylor) — Widow Ellis (Charlemont Vi. St.) He was a voter in Buckland in 1806; sett. in Charlemont.
  - 5 vii Thomas, b. May 28, 1773 in Leominster.
  - viii Thankful, b. Jan. 28, 1775 in Buckland; m. — Rudd of Charlemont; sett. in Black River Co., N. Y.
  - ix Susanna, b. Apr. 21, 1777 in Buckland; m. (1) June 6 or 29, 1801, John Graham Ward; m. (2) May 10, 1819, Elisha Pike. sett. in Charlemont.
  - x Patty, b. Jan. 8, 1779; m. May 6, 1800 Simeon Butler of Heath; sett. in Black River Co. N. Y.
  - xi Chandler, b. Oct. 7, 1780; m. Mar. 11, 1807, Lucy Kenney, b. Aug. 29, 1777; lived successively at Newfane, Vt., Ann Arbor, and d. at Manchester, Mich.
  - 6 xii Willis, b. Sept. 28, 1782.
  - xiii Prudence, b. Nov. 5, 1784; m. Peter Thompson of Buckland, Apr. 7, 1811; lived in Black River County, N. Y.
- 2 Elijah, s. of Elias(1), b. Jan. 16, 1762 in Leominster; served in the Revolutionary Army with his father, entering when fourteen years of age. He m. in 1792, Sarah Ballard. She d. at Charlotte, N. Y., Jan. 13, 1834. This family lived in Buckland a number of years, finally emigrating to the Holland Purchase, N. Y. It is not known whether all of the children were born in Buckland, but as Elias Carter's name appears on the voting list of 1806, all prior to that date must have been. Children:
- i Belvidera, b. Mar. 21, 1793; m. Oct. 2, 1815 (Buckland ch. rec.) Eliphalet Burnham of Pomfret, N. Y.
  - ii Deborah White, b. May 3, 1798; d. Gerry, N. Y. Apr. 7, 1824, unm.

- iii Sally Bowers, twin, b. Feb. 12, 1804; m. Oct. 1833, Ezra T. Winship of N. Y. state.
- iv John Joslyn, twin, b. Feb. 12, 1804; d. Gerry, N. Y., Dec. 16, 1820, unm.
- v Tertius Taylor, b. Nov. 12, 1807; d. Jamestown, N. Y., Sept. 4, 1833.
- vi Lydia Bartlett, b. July 13, 1810; d. Gerry, N. Y., Sept. 26, 1843, unm.
- vii Harriet Newell, b. July 9, 1815; d. West Bloomfield, N. Y., Jan. 18, 1862, unm.

3 Elias, s. of Elias(1), b. July 18, 1765 in Leominster; m. in Buckland, Oct. 18, 1789, Abigail, dau. of Capt. Benjamin and Ruth (Wilder) Ballard, who was b. at Lancaster, Oct. 21, 1764 and d. at Cincinnati, N. Y. in 1814. (Another record says that his wife was Abigail Harrington of Heath. W. O. Taylor thinks she may have been a widow.) In 1825 Elias Carter rem. to Cincinnati, N. Y., where he d. in 1849. Children b. in Buckland:

- i Marshall, b. Dec. 17, 1790; d. in Bennington, Vt. Sept. 1820, unm. Lawyer.
- ii Marcia, b. Nov. 5, 1792; m. Dec. 28, 1809, William Sherwin of Buckland.
- iii Elias, b. Aug. 3, 1794; d. Feb. 1809.
- iv Lucius, twin, b. Apr. 15, 1796; an Episcopal clergyman; d. Painesville, O.
- v Lucia, twin, b. Apr. 15, 1796; m. Sept. 20, 1824, Adna Warner; d. Pitcher, N. Y. in 1880.
- vi Abigail, b. May 30, 1798; m. Nov. 5, 1825, Joseph Farnum; d. Mar. 27, 1885.
- vii John B., b. Apr. 6, 1800; d. in Iowa, unm.
- viii Consider, b. Mar. 3, 1802.
- ix Clarissa, b. Jan. 3, 1804; m. Dec. 13, 1831, William Le Valley; res. Ohio.
- x Samuel, b. Nov. 30, 1806; m. Frances Day; d. in N. Y. state 1848.
- xi Adelpia, b. Apr. 1, 1809; m. Jan. 28, 1829, Lyman Eldredge, M. D.; sett. at Austin, Minn.

4 Benjamin, s. of Elias(1), b. Apr. 6, 1767, in Leominster; d. on his way home from church, Jan. 23, 1842. He m. Hepsibah



Williams of New Ipswich, N. H. She was b. 1772; d. Aug. 17, 1832. Children:

- i Millicent, b. Jan. 23, 1793; m. Nov. 2, 1840, Samuel Damon of Ashby.
- ii Brigham, b. Apr. 25, 1794; d. July 1, 1857, unm.
- iii Benjamin Williams, b. Dec. 23, 1795; res. Sand Lake, N. Y.
- iv Amanda, b. Aug. 25, 1797; m. July 13, 1826, Josiah P. Wilder of New Ipswich, N. H.
- v Hepsibah, b. Apr. 1, 1799; d. June 1, 1867, unm.
- vi Maria, b. Apr. 1, 1802; d. May 18, 1853, unm.
- vii Elmina, b. June 20, 1804; m. Oct. 15, 1826, John Frost of Buckland; d. Dec. 12, 1873.
- 7 viii Chandler, b. Jan. 12, 1806.
- ix Theresa, b. June 13, 1808; d. Dec. 10, 1864, unm.
- x Minot, b. May 8, 1812; d. June 11, 1873.
- xi Alfreda, b. June 1, 1815; d. July 17, 1840.

5 Thomas, s. of Elias(1), b. May 28, 1773 in Leominster; m. Jan. 1, 1802, Ann-also called Nancy-dau. of Dea. Isaac Toby; she was b. in Buckland Dec. 8, 1781. They lived in Buckland until about 1824, when they removed to Hawley. Children:

- i Milo Toby, b. Sept. 8, 1804; d. Mar. 1, 1882; m. (1) Aug. 19, 1829, Rosina Scott. She d. Mar. 19, 1837; m. (2) Oct. 25, 1837, Clarissa Marsh.
- ii Ashbel White, b. Nov. 19, 1806; m. Apr. 5, 1832, Hannah Joy of Hawley; d. in Shelburne Falls.
- iii Cordelia Williams, b. Dec. 6, 1808; m. Aug. 19, 1829, Ebenezer Maynard.
- iv Ann Eliza, b. Mar. 6, 1811; m. June 14, 1827, Harvey Baker of Hawley.
- v Deborah Field, b. Sept. 12, 1813; m. Dec. 9, 1839, Samuel Hall of Hawley.
- vi Elias Sanderson, b. June 25, 1817; m. Mar. 26, 1846, Tirzah Stiles of Hawley.
- vii Bathsheba, C. P., b. Jan. 17, 1821; m. Oct. 17, 1839, Roswell Baker of Hawley.

6 Willis, s. of Elias(1), b. Sept. 28, 1782 in Leominster; d. in Buckland Apr. 3, 1827; m. Jan. 8, 1818, Roxanna, dau. of Robert Lazell. She d. at Fredonia, N. Y. Dec. 21, 1874. Children:

- i Royal Lazell, b. Feb. 23, 1819; m. June 8, 1849, Irene Miller; d. at Stockton, N. Y.
- ii Marshall Lazell, b. 1821; d. 1826.
- iii Name not known.

7 Chandler, s. of Benjamin(4), b. Jan. 12, 1806; d. Aug. 21, 1878; m. Jerusha Jones, who d. June 27, 1844, ae. 36 yrs.; m. (2) Nov. 27, 1844-5 Mrs. Abigail Pratt Hartwell, dau. of Jesse Pratt, b. Oct. 1, 1804; d. Feb. 9, 1903. She was a Real Daughter of the American Revolution, a member of Dorothy Quincy Hancock Chapter of Greenfield. Children:

- i Hepzibah Olivia, b. Apr. 10, 1834; m. Nov. 26, 1853, Edward S. Perkins. She died April 23, 1898.
- ii Erastus Minott, b. Oct. 21, 1835; m. June 8, 1874 Sarah, dau. of Robert Merrifield of Ashfield.
- iii Sarah Caroline, b. June 25, 1837; m. Oct. 4, 1859, John B. Streeter.
- iv George Benjamin, b. Jan. 24 or 29, 1840; m. Nov. 25, 1867, Mary L. Pratt.

1 CARTER, Elisha<sup>5</sup>, (Nathaniel<sup>4</sup>, Samuel<sup>3</sup>, Rev. Samuel<sup>2</sup>, Rev. Thomas<sup>1</sup>), brother of Elias, b. at Leominster, July 12, 1748; m. June 27, 1777, Relief, dau. of John and Lucy (Wilder) Joslyn (twin of Sarah who m. James Butler), b. at Leominster, Apr. 3, 1756 and d. Buckland, May 27, 1832. This family settled in Buckland soon after marriage. Children, order unknown:

- 2 i John, b. 1783.
- ii Elisha Jr. was a voter in 1806 and probably that Elisha who d. Oct. 29, 1827.
- iii Dorothy, bapt. Oct. 18, 1789; m. Jan. 18, 1809 Stephen Pomeroy; d. in Ill.
- iv Wilder, bapt. Oct. 18, 1789; d. unm.
- v Lucy, bapt. June 16, 1799; m. Sept. 21, 1829 Sheldon Warner of Sherman, N. Y. (Ch. rec.); res. Pitcher, N. Y.
- vi Thomas, d. June 19, 1800, ae. 23 yrs.
- vii Relief, bapt. Aug. 21, 1796, m. Sept. 11, 1816, Alfred Trow; sett. Chautauqua, N. Y.
- viii Betsey, mentioned in her father's will.  
Eliza, bapt. Aug. 9, 1801 — perhaps Betsey above.
- ix Nathaniel, bapt. Apr. 15, 1792.

2 John, s. of Elisha<sup>(1)</sup>, b. 1783; d. Feb. 23, 1828, G. R. in Buckland; a blacksmith by trade; m. June 29, 1804, Parnee Nichols who d. Oct. 21, 1857, ae. 73. Children:

- i Thomas, b. 1804; m. Susan Lyman of Charlemont; d. at Pitcher, N. Y.
- ii John, was twice m. at Pitcher, N. Y.
- iii Ashton, d. in infancy.
- iv Sylvia, m. Adonijah Taylor of Charlemont.
- v Fidelia, m. Feb. 11, 1846, at Brattleboro, Vt., Francis Hill of Charlemont; d. in Colorado.
- vi Ashton, b. July 9, 1813; res. Charlemont; m. Aug. 1843, Emeline J., dau. Samuel and Hannah Hill.
- vii Parnee, b. Mar. 25, 1815; d. Dec. 20, 1867. She m. (1) Sept. 4, 1833 Lorenzo Griswold; he d. Jan. 7, 1835 and she m. (2) Nov. 22, 1837, her brother-in-law, Newton Griswold.

CARTER, Samuel<sup>5</sup>, (Nathaniel<sup>4</sup>, Samuel<sup>3</sup>, Rev. Samuel<sup>2</sup>, Rev. Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. at Leominster, Aug. 1, 1746, brother of Elias. The Census of 1790 gives Samuel as here with a wife, two sons under sixteen and two daughters, and it is thought that it was this Samuel. The early records being destroyed "only a dim tradition of 'Uncle Sam' remains, which is that he was blind but remarkably intelligent and active." He is mentioned with the other heirs in the will of his father, Nathaniel Carter. His wife was named Anna. Children:

- i Samuel, bapt. 1787.
- ii Phebe, bapt. Nov. 23, 1788.

By Census of 1790 there were two other children, names have not been found.

CARTER, Betsey, d. July 25, 1828. (Cemetery rec.)

CARTER, Nancy, m. Simeon Parsons of Enfield, Ct., Feb. 18, 1801. (Ch. rec.)

CARTER, William, name on voting list of 1806.

CARTER, Thankful, b. June 6, 1752, dau. of Nathaniel, and sister of Asa and Elias; d. at Buckland.

1 CASWELL, Moody, b. in Vermont; m. Sarah Burnett, b. in Conn. She d. Nov. 14, 1868, ae. 89 yrs. in Buckland. Children:



- 2 i William B., b. in Canada.
- ii Charlotte (perhaps) who d. unm., Mar. 20, 1853, ae. 25 yrs.

2 William B., s. of Moody(1), b. in Lower Canada; d. Mar. 18, 1891, ae. 73 yrs., 11 mos. He was a mechanic; served as assessor and chairman of the selectmen; m. Harriet N. Field who was b. in Leverett and d. Dec. 16, 1896, ae. 79 yrs. Children:

- i Flora H., d. Aug. 11, 1875, ae. 18.
- ii Marian, d. Mar. 2, 1865, ae. 10 yrs.
- iii Albert M., who lived in Buckland; d. Feb. 6, 1879, ae. 32 yrs.; m. Anna R. —, who d. Aug. 19, 1875, ae. 25 yrs.; left a son Wayne G.; residing in town in 1900; now in Shattuckville, Colrain.
- iv Caira C., b. Dec. 30, 1849; m. Nov. 20, 1872, Frank H. Russell of No. Hadley. He m. (2) Oct. 10, 1876, Etta M. Griswold. She m. (2) Wallace Nutting.

1 CHANDLER, Joseph Whitney<sup>4</sup>, (Rev. Amariah<sup>3</sup>, Moses<sup>2</sup>, Moses<sup>1</sup> of Lancaster), b. in Waitsfield, Vt., June 20, 1815; d. June 3, 1895; m. Mar. 3, 1838, Adaline, dau. of Thomas and Electa Goodnow, who d. Jan. 11, 1902, ae. 84 yrs. They lived in New York state, Shelburne and Buckland. Children:

- 2 i Amariah, b. Nov. 23, 1839 in Shelburne.
- 3 ii Stephen H., b. May 1841.
- iii Gilbert W., b. Shelburne in 1847; d. Feb. 20, 1909, unm.
- iv Frank H., b. in Swifts Mills, N. Y.; came to Buckland at the age of thirteen years; m. Oct. 9, 1882, Elizabeth, dau. of John and Caroline Stephens, b. Shelburne. He was a member of the school committee and in 1925 a selectman. Resides Franklin street, Buckland.
- v Anna E., m. S. D. Roudenbush; res. Greenfield.
- vi Annie C., m. — Fallon.

2 Amariah, s. of Joseph Whitney(1), b. Nov. 23, 1839 in Shelburne, lived for many years in Buckland, now in Alden, Iowa; m. Lydia, dau. of Charles and Mary Walton, b. in Tioga, Pa. She d. July 6, 1918, ae. 58 yrs., in Buckland. Children:

- i Matie Addie, b. Aug. 3, 1889; m. Oct. 9, 1913 Jay Carlton Dodd of Iowa.

- ii Elsie Persis, b. Jan. 17, 1892; m. Rev. Thomas Lutman.
  - iii Grace, b. Mar. 17, 1894; m. June 1, 1917, Guy Boyer of Oakland Valley, Ia.
  - 4 iv Shirley Walton, b. June 7, 1899.
- 3 Stephen H., s. of Joseph Whitney(1), b. May, 1841 in Deerfield; d. Jan. 30, 1878; m. Margaret ——. She m. (2) Edmund Moore of Shelburne and d. prior to June 26, 1886. Children:
- i Frank W., b. July 29, 1873.
  - ii Annie N., b. Dec. 6, 1875.
- 4 Shirley Walton, s. of Amariah(2), b. June 7, 1899; m. Miriam L. Cromack, res. Buckland. Children:
- i Jane Elizabeth, b. Aug. 21, 1928.
  - ii Margaret Louise, b. Apr. 25, 1930.

CHANNEY, Isaac, was here in 1790, with his wife, two sons under sixteen, and three daughters.

CHAPIN, Henry, d. Feb. 6, 1866, ae. 64.

CHAPIN, Rachel, d. Apr. 1, 1876.

CHAPIN, Japhet<sup>2</sup>, (Nathan<sup>5</sup>, Japhet<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Japhet<sup>2</sup>, Dea. Samuel<sup>1</sup> of Springfield), b. Aug. 31, 1762 in Springfield; d. in Buckland, Apr. 22, 1833. He lived in Buckland for many years and was actively interested in town affairs and their administration. Was a deacon in the Baptist church; held a commission as Justice of the Peace for about twenty years and served several terms as selectman. He m. Dec. 16, 1784, Lucy Ware. She was b. Nov. 1, 1766, d. June 15, 1852. Children:

- i Lucina, b. Sept. 3, 1785; m. Enos Smith; rem. to Sheboygan, Wis.
- ii Darius, b. July 3, 1787; d. Apr. 17, 1813.
- iii Mary, b. Aug. 21, 1789; m. Jan. 1, 1812, John Porter of Buckland.
- iv Japhet, b. Dec. 18, 1791; d. June 16, 1794.
- v Cynthia, b. Mar. 9 or 16, 1794; d. Jan. 8, 1795.
- vi Japhet, b. July 20, 1796; res. Antwerp, N. Y.; m. Oct. 16, 1817, Betsey Sprague.
- vii Orlando, b. Dec. 27, 1798.
- viii Cynthia, b. May 9, 1801; m. Levi Sprague, 2nd.; int. Dec. 6, 1819.

- ix Stillman, b. Jan. 24, 1805; d. Apr. 30, 1832; m. Jan. 22, 1829, Electa, dau. of William and Phebe Thayer and sett. in Fowler, N. Y. She m. (2) Dixon Daniels of Buckland; (3) Daniel Ware of Buckland.
- x Luther, b. May 29, 1809; twice married, served as first lieut. of the military company in Buckland, was elected Captain in 1841, honorably discharged in 1843, after which date he removed to Ashfield. Was a carpenter and wood turner, had eight children.

CHAPIN, Nathan, formerly of Ashfield, d. at his son, Japhet Chapin's Feb. 13, 1830 in his 96th year.

CHAPMAN, David, was a voter here in 1822.

CHAPMAN, Frank Edgar<sup>7</sup>, (Samuel<sup>6</sup>, Samuel<sup>5</sup>, Jonathan<sup>4</sup>, Solomon<sup>3</sup>, William<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>, of New London, Ct.), b. in West Deerfield, Mar. 22, 1866, removed to Buckland in 1885 and to Shelburne Falls, his present residence, about 1916. Is freight agent at the B. and M. R.R. station. He m. Sept. 28, 1882, Grace, dau. of Hart Mowry of Leyden. Has:

- i Ruth, b. Oct. 11, 1889, now in Columbia University, N. Y. City.

CHAPMAN, George, b. Feb. 18, 1801 at Easthampton; m. Oct. 30, 1825, Hannah, dau. of Jacob and Lydia Whiting.

CHILDS, William, was in Buckland in 1811; m. Filana, or Philomela, "sister of Israel Childs of Shelburne," according to probate papers, but more probably sister-in-law. He probably died between 1812 and 1822, leaving one child who was eleven or twelve years old, in 1822.

"William Childs died June 26, 1828, aged 17 years, only son of aged parents. He was hooked in the eye by a cow." (Franklin Herald, pub. at Greenfield.).

CHILSON, Eunice, of Buckland, m. Dec. 12, 1780, Richard Ellis; she d. Nov. 27, 1792, ae. 39 yrs., and he m. (2) Feb. 19, 1793, Chloe Chilson of Buckland.

CHILSON, John, was a voter here as early as 1806; d. Jan. 3, 1860, ae. 75 yrs.; m. Sept. 9, 1813, Clarissa, dau. of James Butler



of Buckland. She d. July 23, 1832, ae. 41 yrs. According to his will there were, Children:

- i Haynes H., b. Apr. 11, 1816; res. Northampton.
- ii William W.
- iii Nancy, m. Pliny C. Ware of Montague, Nov. 29, 1849.
- iv Elizabeth, m. James A. Graves of Deerfield, June 2, 1852.
- v Murray, d. Aug. 5, 1848, ae. 20 yrs.  
The Greenfield Gazette and Courier adds the names of:
- vi Clara, m. Jan. 1, 1863 Holland Montague of Granby.
- vii Milo, d. at Fonda, N. Y., Mar. 11, 1844, ae. 23 yrs.

CHILSON, Joseph, made his will Jan. 24, 1818, at which time he writes, "advanced in life." This will was probated Mar. 13, 1838. He was a Revolutionary soldier, and his property was left to his son Reuben, and dau. Sally Fowler, "all the children he had and left." His son, Reuben, died, Oct. 8, 1862, aged 73 years.

CHILSON, Mrs. Persis, d. Apr. 1833, ae. 80. (ch. rec.)

CLARK, Adam, was a voter in 1822.

CLARK, Alexander, d. Feb. 4, 1872, ae. 3 mos.

CLARK, Alexander, d. Dec. 10, 1871, ae. 21.

CLARK, Arza A., b. Clarksburg; m. Kate M. Sweet of Buckland. Child:

- i Effie Adella, b. Aug. 6, 1885 in Buck.

CLARK, Benjamin F., Rev., m. abt. June 22, 1824, Sarah Chain of Springfield. Rev. Clark was b. in Granby, Jan. 18, 1792; ordained pastor Buck., Feb. 4, 1824; dism. May 2, 1839, going to Chelsea. Children:

- i Child, d. Feb. 9, 1839, unnamed.

CLARK, Elizabeth S., dau. of James H. and Elizabeth Sinclair, d. July 3, 1895, ae. 74 yrs. 11 mos.

CLARK, Emma M., m. Aug. 24, 1862, George N. Thompson of Cheshire.

CLARK, Hannah, was pub. Mar. 5, 1802, with Jephtha Pike of Whitingham, Vt.

CLARK, Hannah, joined the second Baptist Ch. in 1828.

CLARK, Henry, had a dau., b. Jan. 31, 1863; son b. Dec. 30, 1866.

CLARK, James Franklin, Rev., b. Jan. 31, 1822. (W. O. Taylor) "became a missionary in Philippolis, Turkey."

CLARK, John, of Buckland, pub. to Susanna Clark of Pelham, Jan. 9, 1801.

CLARK, John, was a voter in 1806 and 1822, perhaps identical with the John above. He d. Nov. 8, 1836, ae. 68. Susanna, wife of John, d. Nov. 20, 1832, ae. 54.

CLARK, John, will probated May 16, 1837. His widow Lydia, d., May 18, 1861, ae. 74.

CLARK, Jonathan was pub. with Phebe Ellis, Dec. 11, 1802.

CLARK, Laura C., m. Jan. 2, 1851, Thomas J. Rowley of Southampton.

CLARK, Melvina, m. July 3, 1861, Everett L. Packard of Buckland.

1 CLARK, Nathaniel, b. Ashfield; d. in Buckland Oct. 24, 1908, ae. 83 yrs. 10 mos.; m. Guelma M., dau. of Erastus Booth of Charlemont, who d. Mar. 28, 1906. Children:

- i Charles W., b. Dec. 15, 1869; m. Dec. 30, 1908, Millura E., dau. of William and Flora (Wilcott) Merritt of Buck.; living in Buckland in 1900.
- ii David S., b. Ashfield.

David, S., s. of Nathaniel and Sarah, b. Ashfield; m. May 1, 1878, Nellie J., dau. of Elijah and Martha Field, of Buckland, b. in Hawley. Children:

- i Martha Sarah, b. Apr. 17, 1879.
- ii Albert Eugene, b. Dec. 3, 1881.

CLARK, Prudence, pub. Dec. 26, 1795, with Rufus Jones.

CLARK, Widow Rebecca, b. Goshen, dau. of Edward and Elizabeth Wing; d. in Buckland, Apr. 12, 1880, ae. 92 yrs. Of the children, Nathaniel was the only one to live in Buck. Children:

- i Charles W., res. of Colrain.
- ii Sally C., m. ——— Mason, res. Hawley.
- iii Nathan, res. Hawley.

- iv Nathaniel, res. Buckland.
- v Henry, res. Hawley.
- vi Polly, m. Upton, deceased.
- vii Eunice, res. Hawley.

1 CLARK, Robert, said to have been of Scotch ancestry, is first heard of here in 1790, when his family contained three males sixteen and up, two males under sixteen, and four females. He probably died in Feb. 1815, as at that time Major Griswold, in his account book, charges Robert Clark with a coffin for his father, the sum of \$2.00. Children:

- i Robert Jr. who was pub. with Amy Jones, Jan. 1, 1796. Charged by Major Griswold, for a coffin about May, 1823, the sum of \$2.33. A Robert was pub. Oct. 31, 1806, with Mrs. Susanna Pike of Whitingham, Vt. Whether Robert Jr. or Sr. has not been determined.

2 ii James.

2 CLARK, James, was a voter in 1806 and 1822; s. of Robert, Sr.(1), b. Aug. 25, 1764, d. Mar. 15, 1849; m. Abigail Davis, she was b. May 15, 1770. Children:

- i Betsey, b. Sept. 10, 1791; perhaps that one pub. with Isaac Jones, Mar. 19, and m. Apr. —, 1813.
- ii Daniel, b. Oct. 2, 1793; prob. d. before 1804.
- iii Abigail, twin, b. Feb. 16, 1796; pr. that one pub. Nov. 25, 1825 with Amasa Woodward of Buckland.
- iv James, twin, b. Feb. 16, 1796; voter in 1822, Pub. Nov. 6, 1817 with Lydia Woodward.
- v Olive, b. June 3, 1798.
- vi Mary, b. Oct. 22, 1800.
- 3 vii Daniel, b. Oct. 7, 1804.
- 4 viii Chandler, b. Feb. 24 or 27, 1807.
- ix Davis, b. May 13, 1809; d. Sept. 14, 1829.
- x Almeda, b. Dec. 25, 1811; m. Richmond Mallory.

3 Daniel, s. of James(2), b. Oct. 7, 1804; m. Oct. 27, 1836, Lura, dau. of Eliphaz Woodward. She was b. Oct. 25, 1818; d. 1909. Children:

- 5 i Wilbur Fisk, b. 1838.
- ii Lucinda M., b. Dec. 13, 1847; d. Sept. 18, 1863.



4 Chandler, s. of James(2), b. Feb. 24, 1807; d. May 25, 1902 in Holyoke to which place he removed about 1860; m. Dec. 17, 1835 Joanna, dau. of Eliphaz Woodward. She was b. Dec. 30, 1816. Children b. in Buckland:

- i Eliza Townsley, b. Nov. 14, 1836.
- ii Francis Asbury, b. Dec. 29, 1840; d. Apr. 15, 1843.
- iii Embury Philip, b. Mar. 31, 1845. Sheriff of Hampden County.

5 Wilbur Fisk, s. of Daniel(3), b. 1838; d. 1901; m. Sept. 5, 1866, Lucy A. Booth of Buckland. She was b. 1847; d. 1922. Child:

- i Harry W., b. 1865; d. 1871.

CLEMENT, William T.<sup>8</sup> (Moses<sup>7</sup>, Moses<sup>6</sup>, Moses<sup>5</sup>, Samuel<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, Robert<sup>2</sup>, Robert<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 11, 1813 in Worcester; m. abt. 1835, Almira, dau. of Timothy Baily. She was b. in Rutland, Vt., in 1815; d. in Buckland, Aug. 5, 1851; (2) m. in Buckland, Feb. 24, 1852, Lydia Ely, dau. of Nathaniel Gates, b. in Longmeadow. William Clement represented Buckland in the Legislature in the winter of 1857-8. He rem. to Northampton in 1858 and there d. in 1882. Children:

- i Almira Ann, b. Jan. 24, 1838.
- ii Mary Baily, b. Oct. 5, 1841; m. Charles A. Maynard.
- iii William, b. Aug. 15, 1843; d. Nov. 1843.
- iv Lucinda A., b. Nov. 13, 1845; d. Oct. 24, 1872.
- v William Trowbridge, b. Aug. 19, 1857; d. Oct. 25, 1857, at Buckland.

CLEMENT, Albert (otherwise Norbert), b. Canada; m. Mary Jane Perry, b. Perrysburg, N. Y. Res. Buckland. Children:

- i David F. twin, b. Oct. 1, 1876; d. July 8, 1877.
- ii Emily R. J., twin, b. Oct. 1, 1876; d. May 12, 1877.
- iii Arthur, d. Aug. 2, 1876, ae. 5.

CLEMENT, Squire<sup>7</sup> C., a Civil War veteran, b. ab. 1827. Had:

- i Carrie N., d. July 25, 1868, ae. 14 yrs.

CLEMONS, David, d. Oct. 31, 1844, ae. 42 yrs. His youngest child, Edward, d. in 1842, ae. 1 yr. 6 mos.

CLEMONS, Flora C., wife of Robert R., d. July 28, 1866.

COBB, Josiah was a voter in town in 1806; m. May 2, 1814 Phebe, dau. of Benjamin Shaw of Buckland. Josiah Cobb of Ashfield, bought land in Buckland, May 29, 1799 and according to deeds he was in town as late as 1814.

COBB, Nathaniel and Lydia, were members of the re-organized Baptist church in 1828. Lydia Cobb, d. Jan. 13, 1848. She was b. in Bridgewater.

1 COLEMAN, Gershom (perhaps s. of Gershom and Marcy (Allis) of Coventry, Ct.) is said to have come to Buckland in 1785, settling near the Falls. "It is quite likely that he was the non-resident land owner of Shelburne, in 1781, and taxed on forty acres" (W. O. Taylor). He m. Abigail — who d. Dec. 20, 1826, 75 yrs. He d. May 21, 1822, ae. 71 yrs. Children:

2 i Oliver, b. 1780 in Coventry, Ct.

3 ii Jesse, b. ab. 1785.

iii Cynthia, m. Apr. 27, 1819, Levi Fisk of Shelburne (of Bergen, N. Y., church rec.).

2 Oliver, s. of Gershom(1), b. Coventry, Ct. 1780; d. Mar. 19, 1863; m. June 7, 1804, Eunice Thompson of Buckland, who d. Apr. 30, 1863, ae. 78 yrs. Oliver Coleman lived his entire life on the same farm on the Buckland side of the river at Shelburne Falls. Children, so far as known:

i Infant son, d. July 19, 1807.

ii Infant dau., d. July 17, 1808.

iii Sidney L., d. Aug. 26, 1810.

iv Alexis, b. Dec. 16, 1814, rem. to Westfield in 1875.

v Abigail E., bapt. June 15, 1823; m. Sept. 25, 1839, Moses W. Merrill of Shelburne.

vi Daughter, m. Thomas B. Montague of Shelburne Falls.

vii Clarissa, bapt. June 15, 1823.

3 Jesse, s. of Gershom(1), b. ab. 1785; d. Nov. 27, 1870, ae. 85 yrs. According to the Taylor record, m. Oct. 15, 1857, Sophronia, dau. of Eliphaz Woodward. This must have been a possible second marriage (with conflicting dates and names), as by the mar.int. kept by Samuel Taylor from 1793-1820, Jesse Coleman's int. with Elizabeth Avery of Charlemont was pub. Nov. 6, 1814. Moreover the cemetery record gives "Elizabeth, wife of Jesse Coleman," d. Feb. 12, 1860, ae. 72. Children:

- i Loring E., m. July 31, 1845, Lucinda H. dau. of J. Griswold of Buckland; res. Ashfield.
- ii Elizabeth, m. in Dalton, Nov. 10, 1852, N. Dickinson Williams of Buck. She d. Apr. 29, 1895, ae. 79.
- iii Samuel T., b. pr. 1817; res. Buckland; d. Jan. 16, 1887, ae. 70 yrs.; wife Sophronia.

COLEMAN, Nathaniel, perhaps s. of Gershom and Marcy (Allis) of Coventry, Ct.; came from Coventry to Buckland, says a Grandson; but he probably resided in Shelburne for a time where his name is found on a tax list in 1780-82-83. He m. at Charlemont, Nov. 24, 1784, Elthea Comstock, who was from Montville, Ct., says the above mentioned grandson, Josiah T. Coleman, who also states that Nathaniel was a Revolutionary soldier and served six months in the company with Lieut. Allis. (Taylor record). Elthea Coleman d. Dec. 26, 1840, ae. 78. Children:

- i John, m. July 26, 1811, Anna, also called Nancy, dau. of Rev. Josiah Spaulding of Buckland, who d. Dec. 16, 1840. They had 1. Josiah S. Coleman, b. Sept. 23, 1823, member of Co. H., 10th Reg. M. V. M.; d. unm. Oct. 3, 1890. 2. Deborah, b. in Shelburne Aug. 11, 1827, m. — Bartholomew and res. Indianapolis, Ind. 3. Thankful C., m. (ae. 29 yrs.) on Mar. 13, 1845, Nathaniel Carrol of Heath.
- ii Lois, m. Dec. 5, 1823, Rodolphus Merrill of Shelburne.

COLEMAN, Luther, had a son, b. Aug. 20, 1868.

COLEMAN, Orlando R. (or W.), d. May 16, 1835, ae. 22 yrs.

COLEMAN, William, b. Canada; m. Mary Vineen, b. also in Canada. Had:

- i John Albert, b. 1892.

CONANT, David, was here in 1790 when his family consisted of two females.

CONE, Cyrus L., d. Dec. 24, 1886, ae. 80 yrs. 6 m.; m. Juliane C. who d. Feb. 19, 1888, ae. 65 yrs. Had:

- i Jasper, d. Oct. 3, 1863, ae. 2 yrs. 5 m.



CONKEY, Thomas, was from Pelham; m. Betsey Pulsifer. Children:

- i Elizabeth C., b. 1784; m. Eli Gray of Buckland.
- ii William, b. 1791; d. in Buck. 1821.
- iii Electa, b. 1793; d. in Buck., 1799.

CONNORS, Patrick, d. in Buckland Mar. 28, 1896. Children:

- i Hannah B., m. — Keefe; res. Greenfield.
- ii William F., res.; Quincey.
- iii Catherine E., res. Buckland.
- iv John E., res. Buckland.
- v Margaret E., res. Buckland.
- vi Charles H., res. Greenfield.

COOK, Elizabeth, pub. with George Reniff, Sept. 22, 1798.

COOK, Ernest B., d. Sept. 21, 1875, ae. 8 mos.

COOK, Esther, pub. with Israel Smith, July 28, 1804.

COOK, George A., m. Mar. 4, 1874, Mary A. Hart of Ashfield.

1 COOK, Josiah of Wrentham, bought land in No Town, Sept. 15, 1774. By Wrentham town rec. his wife was Sarah. They are doubtless the "Grandpa and Granny Cook" referred to in notes in the possession of Galen Johnson, as being buried in the *old* cemetery, E. Buck. No stones. In a deed dated July 10, 1777, Eli Fuller of No Town sold three hundred acres of land in the "Cobbett Grant, No Town" to "Josiah Cook my hon<sup>d</sup> father." Quite likely one of Josiah Cook's daus. mar. Fuller and that the latter was a son-in-law. Children (Wrentham T. R.):

- i Jemima, b. Sept. 17, 1743.
- ii Esther, b. June 23, 1745.
- 2 iii Nathan, June 20, 1747.
- iv Josiah, b. June 28, 1749. By Johnson rec. he, "his wife and Susie and Betsey" are buried in *Old* Cemetery, E. Buck.; no stones. In 1790 Census his family is listed as two males under sixteen and two females.
- v Sarah, b. June 15, 1751.
- vi Abel, b. Apr. 15, 1753; here in 1790 with a family of three sons under sixteen and five females.
- vii Oliver, b. Aug. 14, 1755. In 1790 family contained two males under sixteen and three females.

- viii Jesse, b. Oct. 15, 1758. Here in 1790 with two females in his family; said to have been buried in *Old* cemetery, E. Buck.; no stones.
- ix Mary, b. Oct. 21, 1761.
- x Rufus, b. Aug. 9, 1766. Here in 1790 with a family of two males over sixteen including head of family and one under, two females. He joined the original Baptist church in 1789.

2 Nathan, s. of Josiah(1), b. June 20, 1747 in Wrentham, at which place there were recorded to him and his wife Mary, two children. He is said to have been twice married and he and both wives buried in the *old* cemetery in E. Buck.; no stones. In 1790 his family consisted of one male over sixteen, one under, and five females. He was a voter here in 1822. Children:

- i Delane, b. July 26, 1771 at Wrentham.
- ii Lemuel, b. Apr. 4, 1773, at Wrentham.  
Prob. three daus. names unk., b. before 1790.

COOK, Lizzie M., m. June 19, 1869, Edmund M. Carroll.

COOK, Mary, pub. with James Reniff of Whitingham, Vt., Jan. 3, 1797.

COOK, Murray L., a farmer, b. Heath; m. Jennie E. Todd, b. in Colrain. Had:

- i Arthur Lowell, b. Sept. 28, 1887.

COOK, Noah, and his wife Submit, had a son Noah who d. Apr. 19, 1812, 8 yrs.

COOK, Philomela, m. Oct. 12, 1829, Ziba Leonard, Jr., of Ashfield.

COOK, Solomon, m. May 31, 1804, Betsey Smith.

COOK, Stephen, m. Mar. 16, 1758 in Bellingham, Elizabeth Metcalf. He was here in 1790 with two males under sixteen and two females in his family. Had at Wrentham:

- i Eli, b. Oct. 19, 1758.

COOLEY, Calvin, d. Feb. 9, 1854, ae. 64 yrs.

COOLEY, Rosamund, d. Mar. 13, 1862, ae. 72 yrs.

COWARD, George, wife Selena Spencer, both natives of England, residents here in 1900. Had:

Ann, who d. Nov. 4, 1897, ae. 20 yrs. unm.

COWARD, John, was living here in 1900.

1 CRAMER, Daniel, s. of Henry and Mary (Fall), a cutler by occupation, b. in Ashfield or Dalton (given both ways); d. Mar. 10, 1919, ae. 71; m. (1) Mary, dau. Gottlieb Theiringer, b. in Germany, who d. June 4, 1884; m. (2) Feb. 14, 1885, Kathrina, dau. of Peter and Fernoker Matthes. Children:

2 i Frank G., b. July 1, 1872, in Buckland.

3 ii Louis H., b. Orange, Dec. 29, 1873.

iii Henry M., b. Buckland.

iv Jennie B., b. Nov. 13, 1880 in Buckland; m. Jan. 24, 1920, Allen Lucas March.

v William V., twin, b. Waterbury, Ct. Aug. 21, 1891.

vi Ernest D., twin, b. Waterbury, Ct. Aug. 21, 1891, was in the 9th Casualty Co., Camp DeSouge, A.E.F. France in the World War.

vii Estella D., b. Dec. 20, 1886, in Buckland; d. Aug. 12, 1887.

2 Frank G., s. of Daniel (1), b. in Buckland, July 1, 1872; m. Nov. 4, 1893, Lula S., dau. of Josiah and Sarah F. (Dole) King, b. in Windsor, Vt., who d. Apr. 16, 1909, ae. 34 yrs.; m. (2) July 9, 1910, Louise K., dau. of Frederick and Elizabeth Gullmar, b. in Germany. Children:

i Harold J., b. Sept. 27, 1894.

ii Ruth, b. July 20, 1897.

iii Doris Viola, b. Oct. 5, 1899; m. Aug. 21, 1920, Arthur P. Wagenknecht of Buckland.

3 Louis H., s. of Daniel (1), b. 1874 in Orange; m. Nov. 6, 1897, Ellen, dau. of James and Mary O'Brien. Living in Buckland in 1900. Children:

i Lillian M., b. Feb. 16, 1898; m. Oct. 5, 1931, Frank V. Paul of Buckland.

ii Annie, b. Apr. 4, 1899; m. Apr. 21, 1894, Arthur J. LaPlant of Colrain.

iii Walter L., b. Aug. 12, 1903.



- iv Gertrude E., b. Nov. 25, 1906; m. Oct. 28, 1926,  
Clarence J. Gebo of Buckland.
- v Arlene M., b. Dec. 14, 1921.

CRAMER, Henry, and wife Catherine, both b. in Germany.  
He d. Jan. 1, 1917, ae. 48 yrs. Had seven children:

- i Henry, d. June 28, 1873, ae. 10.
  - ii Son, b. Oct. 16, 1868.
- Five others unknown.

CRANSON, Forest, s. of Jonathan and Martha (Vincent) of Ashfield, b. Oct. 17, 1795 in Ashfield, vet. of war of 1812; d. Mar. 7, 1888; m. Aug. 18, 1821, Lucy, dau. of Timothy and Lucinda (Meacham) Warren of Ashfield, b. Aug. 26, 1802; d. Mar. 3, 1890. They came to Buckland about 1850. In 1886 they celebrated their sixty-fifth wedding anniversary. Children:

- i Nathan, lived Twingsbury, O.
- ii Lucinda, m. Oct. 1, 1851, Henry W. Smith, res. Northampton.
- iii Clarissa, m. — Fenton, res. Vermont.
- iv Joel, m. Aug. 23, 1865, Martha E. Burnham of Windsor.
- 2 v Joshua, b. Ashfield.
- vi Mary, d. Apr. 27, 1851, ae. 2 yrs.
- 3 vii Thomas S., b. Ashfield.
- viii Otis, m., ae. 22 yrs., on Mar. 26, 1845, Eliza F., dau. Calista Smith, ae. 15 yrs. He was a miller and mechanic. Had at Ashfield Edgar Lorenzo, b. Aug. 17, 1848.

Two others, names not known.

2 Joshua, s. of Forest (1), a mechanic; resident of Buck., d. at Northampton, Apr. 1913, ae. 88 yrs.; m. (1) Lydia M., dau. of Elijah Phillips of Buck.; (2) Adeline Williams, dau. of Henry Smith of Deerfield. She was b. Oct. 27, 1828. Children:

- i Edgar, res. Greenfield, unm.
- ii Harlan H., m. Jan. 1, 1876, Fanny, dau. of A. H. Sweet of Plainfield; lives Williamsburg; had Pearl Frances, b. June 27, 1883.
- iii Vesta M., m. Nov. 3, 1881, Winfield S. Davis: res. Leyden.
- 4 iv Milford J.

- v Alvin, d.
  - vi Uretta, m. Aug. 18, 1877, Oscar J. Damon.
  - vii Rosina Olivia, b. May 20, 1848 at Ashfield; m. May 20, 1869, James G. Baldwin of Deerfield; d. Oct. 16, 1923, ae. 75 yrs.  
Two others who d. young.  
By second wife:
    - 5 x Albion B., b. Deerfield.
    - xi Eugene, lives Florence.
    - xii Inez Etta.
- 3 Thomas S., s. of Forest (1), b. in Ashfield; m. Apr. 29, 1863, Martha G. Brayman of Buckland. Children:
- i Mary E., m. May 12, 1887, Fred W. Dole of Shelburne.
  - ii Chester, b. Nov. 10, 1870.
  - iii Myron W., b. Feb. 8, 1876.
  - iv Ida Adella, b. Jan. 21, 1880.
  - v Leon, b. Dec. 7, 1881.
- 4 Milford J., s. of Joshua (2), d. Apr. 26, 1920, ae. 73 yrs.; m. Marietta Morton. Child:
- 6 i Julius M.
- 5 Albion B., s. of Joshua (2), b. in Deerfield, m. June 26, 1887, Nancy, dau. of Moses L. and Esther Wheeler of Weston, Mich. Children:
- i Addie, b. and d. May 29, 1890.
  - ii Carroll W., b. Feb. 28, 1899; d. Mar. 17, 1899.
  - iii Ralph S., b. Aug. 5, 1902.
- 6 Julius M., s. of Milford J. (4), m. Jan. 27, 1915, Martha I., dau. of Herman and Martha (Raymond) Hathaway of Buckland; res. Buckland. Children:
- i Carl LeRoy, b. Mar. 11, 1916.
  - ii Merle Leslie, b. Aug. 18, 1920.
  - iii Ruth Etta, b. July 5, 1923.

CRITTENDON, George D., s. of Simeon of Hawley, b. in Hawley, Aug. 30, 1827. He early removed to Buckland where he could better carry on his activities in the lumber business, and became prominently identified with the affairs of the town. For

fourteen years he was a member of the school committee, was moderator of the annual town meetings thirty years, served on the board of assessors and selectmen, and represented his district in the legislature. In 1868 he was elected County commissioner, holding that office six years. He was a Justice of the Peace, by successive appointments, for forty years, a trustee of Arms Academy for twenty-one years, and one of the original trustees of the Shelburne Falls Savings Bank. A man intensely interested in the incidents of by-gone days, he was an authority on the events and traditions of the olden time, and many of his reminiscences given before the Pocumtuck Valley Memorial Association and elsewhere, have been published. The very last years of life were spent at Shelburne Falls where he d. May 20, 1917. He m. Sept. 6, 1853, Lucelia, dau. of Samuel Dawes. She d. Mar. 2, 1925, ae. 91 yrs. Children:

- i Hattie E., b. Sept. 6, 1859; m. Oct. 7, 1882, William McCloud. Met a tragic death, Jan. 8, 1897.
- ii Cora E., b. May 29, 1863; m. Oct. 15, 1884, Wilfred S. Ball of Shelburne Falls.
- iii Philena H., b. May 16, 1864; m. Feb. 28, 1884, Warren D. Forbes.
- iv Alice G., b. Nov. 19, 1866; res. Buckland, unkm.
- v Lottie R., b. Nov. 8, 1868.
- vi Esther M., b. Nov. 20, 1870.
- vii Lillian.
- viii Lula.
- ix ?

CRITTENDON, Capt. Simeon, d. Aug. 11, 1832, ae. 70 yrs. Rev. Sol. enlisted Deerfield, Aug. 12, 1781. Wife Lucretia, d. Oct. 27, 1845, ae. 78.

CRITTENDON, Louisa A., dau. David and Eunice, d. Sept. 27, 1842, ae. 25.

CROSS, Abel, was resident here in 1790, did much surveying. He died before Nov. 26, 1796, when Jeduthan Cross was appointed Administrator of his estate. His wife's name may have been Mary, as Mary and Abisha Cross signed the administrator's bond and it is known that he had a daughter Mary who at this



date was the wife of Michael Ware, Jr. Children (Names secured from a deed):

- i Abel.
- ii Abisha. Abisha Cross and Mercy Phillips were published for marriage, Oct. 14, 1797.
- iii Jude. Jude Cross was published for marriage with Molly, dau. of Michael Ware, Feb. 7, 1794. His daughter Parney, m. — King, and died Sept. 1, 1885, ae. 72.
- iv Mary, who m. Michael Ware. This couple released their rights in real estate of their father Abel Cross, when it was sold to Jeduthan Cross of Conway, March 4, 1796.
- v Abigail, who mar. Elisha Yeomans. They released their rights in real estate of their father, Abel Cross and at that time signed as residents of Poultney, Vt.

CROSS, Caroline, m. Manley Drake and d. Mar. 25, 1897, ae. 80 yrs.

CROSS, Harriet, bapt. at the re-organized Baptist church in 1830.

CROSS, Henry Stephen, s. of Josiah and Aurelia (Mitchell) of Ashfield, b. Sept. 1, 1858; d. Sept. 21, 1929; m. Mar. 17, 1883, in Conway, Nellie Gilbert, dau. of Preleit Graham Ward. She was b. Jan. 16, 1862. Children, b. in Ashfield:

- i Allison Henry, b. Oct. 20, 1883; res. Williamsburg.
- ii Nellie, b. Jan. 21, 1890; d. Jan. 22, 1890.
- iii Amy Wood, b. July 6, 1893; res. Holyoke.
- iv Harold Chester, b. Sept. 12, 1895.
- v Howard Preleit, b. Feb. 21, 1898.
- vi Mildred Rowena, b. Dec. 1, 1902; m. May 27, 1921, Raymond Wyatt Wilson of Shelburne, res. Charle-mont.

CROSS, Jeduthan, was here in 1790 when the Census records his family as containing two females. His name appears on the voter's list of 1806.

CROSS, Joseph, was given as resident here in 1790 with two males under sixteen and three females in his family. He joined the original Baptist church in 1789.

CROSS, Lyman, b. in Buckland in 1791; d. 1860; m. Lydia Howes, who d. in 1863, ae. 73 yrs. He was a cooper by trade. He rem. to Ashfield where he had seven children.

CROSS, Rufus, m. Feb. 3 or 9, 1803, Betsey Baldwin of Buckland, apparently moved to Pompey, N. Y., as by Franklin Co. Probate records, Oliver May Cross of Buckland, a minor above fourteen, son of Rufus Cross, late of Pompey, N. Y., was placed under the guardianship of William Putnam of Buckland, Jan. 12, 1820. In May 1830, Oliver Cross was dismissed from the Baptist church of Buckland.

CUMMINGS, Rev. Preston. His youngest child Ethan Davis, d. Mar. 16, 1844, ae. nearly 10 yrs.

CUMMINGS, Charles A., son of J. C. and Eusebia, d. Aug. 19, 1866, ae. 2 mos.

CUMMINGS, Eusebia J., dau. of Thomas Montague of Buckland, d. Nov. 16, 1812, ae. 72 yrs. 10 mos. Children:

- i Edwin J., of Newark, N. Y.
- ii Anna C., m. — Moore; res. Los Angeles, Cal.

CUSHMAN, Rev. Solomon<sup>7</sup> (Capt. Simeon<sup>6</sup>, Solomon<sup>5</sup>, Benjamin<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Robert<sup>1</sup>), b. in Southwick, July 28, 1804; d. in Gill in 1853; m. Betsey Williams, dau. of William Prentice of Worthington, who was b. Oct. 1805. He was a Methodist Episcopal pastor, preaching in Buckland for three years, and served as a member of the school committee in 1849. Children:

- i William Prentice, b. Oct. 20, 1825; m. Dec. 10, 1847, Ann Eliza Elder of Chester; in 1855 was residing in Shelburne Falls.
- ii Philura Jeanette, b. July 13, 1831.

DAMON (Demmon), Edward was here in 1790 with a family of two males over sixteen, including head of family, and four females.

By the Damon genealogy Edward and Stephen Damon, brothers, and sons of Dr. Edward Damon, were residents of Buck. Apparently they were here but a short time. The family records of descendants of Stephen, who m. Rhoda Thayer, state that "he was a captain in the Revolutionary war, was at the capitulation of Yorktown in 1781." Had eleven children, and



that "this family were here so short a time and then rem. to Hawley that they really belonged to the latter place." For fuller information see the Damon genealogy.

DAMON, Franklin E., d. Dec. 21, 1845, ae. 24 yrs.

DAMON, Moses G., of Buckland, m. Nov. 4, 1856, Charlotte E. Wallace.

1 DANIELS, Amos, b. abt. 1764; d. Apr. 8, 1851, ae. 87 yrs. His wife Lydia, d. Apr. 11, 1851, ae. 76 yrs. Children:

- i Obed, m. Nov. 22, 1837, Eliza Gardner Martin, b. in Buckland, May 22, 1813; d. June 12, 1872.
  - ii Submit, b. Conway; d. Sept. 27, 1847, ae. 46 yrs.; was a tailoress.
  - iii Dexter, b. 1801; m. Maria Avery of Charlemont—int. rec. Aug. 2, 1830; lived in Buckland and d. Aug. 1, 1841, ae. 40 yrs. Had: 1. William H. Harrison, d. July 8, 1841, ae. 10 mos.
- 2 iv Dixon M., b. Aug. 19, 1804.
- v Eliphalet.

2 Dixon M., s. of Amos(1), b. Aug. 19, 1804; d. Aug. 30, 1840, ae. 37; m. Nov. 8, 1831, Almira, dau. Heman Farnum of Buckland, where she was b. Oct. 21, 1809; d. May 29, 1833, ae. 23 yrs. He m. (2) Nov. 19, 1834, Electa, dau. of William and Phebe Thayer, and widow of Stillman Chapin. She m. (3) in 1843, Daniel Ware. res. Buckland. At the time of the father's death the children in this family were all minors. Children:

- i Lydia, b. Mar. 10, 1835; d. Sept. 25, 1843.
- ii Amos, b. Oct. 12, 1836.
- iii Delia C., b. Aug. 29, 1838.
- iv Alona D., b. Feb. 23, 1841; d. Feb. 24, 1844.

DAVENPORT, David White, b. in Heath, that part formerly Charlemont; mar. int. pub. Sept. 1, 1822, with Mrs. Mary (Johnson) Nichols, dau. of Josiah and Martha (Taylor) Johnson of Buckland. This may have been his second marriage.

DAVENPORT, Freeman L.<sup>5</sup> (Levi<sup>4</sup>, Paul<sup>3</sup>, Elijah<sup>2</sup>, Charles<sup>1</sup> of Canterbury, Ct.), b. Nov. 18, 1847 in Colrain; d. Dec. 6, 1923, Buckland side Shelburne Falls; m. Sept. 11, 1885, Lida M., dau.



of Joseph T. and Anna (Hall) Packard, b. in Charlemont, Apr. 20, 1860. Children:

- i Harold P., b. Apr. 1, 1892, res. Shelburne Falls.
- ii Elmer F., b. Aug. 2, 1895.
- iii Louise P., b. Mar. 25, 1899.

DAVENPORT, Jonathan G., of Buckland, m. Nov. 25, 1862, Mary C. Warner of Charlemont.

1 DAVENPORT, Matthew. Children:

- i Child, b. 1855; d. Aug. 31, 1858.
- ii James C. M., m. May 27, 1885, Emily, dau. of Samuel and Ann Oates who was b. in England. She now lives in Detroit. Children:
  - 1 Roy William, b. Dec. 4, 1887.
  - 2 Irene Z., b. Nov. 27, 1892.

DAVIS, Abijah, was a resident here up to 1819 when he rem. to Savoy. Children b. in Buck.:

- i Lucinda, m. — Thompson of Windsor.
- ii Henry H., rem. to Savoy.
- iii Allen, rem. to Savoy.

DAVIS, Daniel S., b. in Kingston, N. H., m. Marion Hart, b. in Pittstown, N. Y. Children:

- i Harriet Ellen, b. Sept. 16, 1874.
- ii Frances Jane, b. Sept. 23, 1876.

1 DAVIS, Edwin Asa, was a voter here in 1822; d. July 4, 1872, ae. 74 yrs.; m. Elizabeth H., dau. of Cale Pelton. She was b. Mar. 30, 1801; d. Mar. 20, 1873. Children, order unknown:

- 2 i Edwin A., res. Buckland.
- 3 ii Joshua T., b. Apr. 19, 1831.
- iii Emory C., res. Florence.
- 4 iv Hiram Ashman, b. Oct. 27, 1836.
- v Ann Eliza, m. Josiah W. Griswold, Jan. 1, 1846.

2 Edwin Asa, s. of Edwin Asa (1), m. Eliza A., dau. of Ansel and Betsey (Sears) Taylor of Buckland. She was b. May 20, 1830; d. Mar. 22, 1901. Children:

- i Edwin Dwight, b. Aug. 28, 1851; m. Aug. 28, 1872, Rosa M. Phillips of Ashfield. In 1874 was living in Holyoke; 4 children.
- ii Wilbur, b. Buckland, Oct. 22, 1856; d. Mar. 13, 1901; m. Oct. 28, 1890, Hattie Carl, one dau.
- iii Arthur Emmons, b. May 10, 1863; d. Nov. —, 1917; m. 1888, Jennie Stone; 3 children.
- iv Herbert, d. unm.

3 Joshua T., s. of Edwin Asa (1), b. Apr. 19, 1831; d. Oct. 30, 1908, ae. 77 yrs.; m. Nov. 17, 1852, Harriet, dau. of Levi Harmon. She was b. Oct. 22, 1833; d. Sept. 23, 1917. They lived for a number of years in Buckland. Children:

- i George, who was drowned Dec. 11, 1858, ae. abt. 3 yrs.
- ii Edward L., m. his cousin, Martha Gardner, dau. of Hiram A. Davis, July 14, 1897.
- iii Edwin (?)

4 Hiram Ashman, s. of Edwin Asa(1), b. Oct. 27, 1836; m. Jane E., dau. of Gardner Wilder. She was b. Mar. 29, 1840. Children:

- i Frederick A., b. Aug. 22, 1862.
- ii Cora Elizabeth, b. Nov. 29, 1865.
- iii Martha Gardner, b. Aug. 30, 1872; m. July 14, 1897, Edward L. Davis.
- iv Fidelia.
- v Myrtie.
- vi Isabelle.
- vii Leroy.

DAVIS, E. A., was a member of the school committee in 1851.

DAVIS, Electa, mar. int. pub. with Seth Leonard, Dec. 19, 1818.

DAVIS, Elizabeth, m. Oct. 4, 1815, David Wade.

DAVIS, Emory C., b. in Buck.; m. Aug. 24, 1859, in So. Ashfield, Isabel, dau. of Bela Gardner of that place.

DAVIS, James R., b. Manchester, N. H.; m. Mary L. Reames, b. in Canada. Children:

- i Son, d. Dec. 5, 1870, ae. 1 yr.
- ii Son, b. Apr. 21, 1872.

- iii Edward James, b. Mar. 20, 1874.
- iv Mary Barbara, b. May 4, 1877 at Shelburne.

DAVIS, John, was a voter in 1822; pub. with Harriet Flower of Buckland, Apr. 9, 1810.

DAVIS, John W., b. Williamstown; was a basket maker. He m. Lillie C. Armstrong, b. in Hinsdale, N. H.; res. Buck. Had:  
i Franklin B., b. in Williamstown.

DAVIS, Josiah, was here in 1790 with a family consisting of one male over sixteen, two under and four females. In 1832 he was still living in Buckland where he was recorded as a Revolutionary pensioner, aged 75 years. A Josiah Davis of Buck. m. Feb. 17, 1782, Ruth, dau. of Olive Graves of Whately. She was b. Nov. 4, 1758.

DAVIS, Widow Olive A., dau. of Abel and Rebecca Adams, b. Ludlow, Vt.; d. Aug. 21, 1885, ae. 78 yrs.

DAVIS, Rebecca, was pub. with Moses Demmery of Buck., Nov. 1, 1816.

DAVIS, the wife of Reuel, d. June 8, 1865, ae. 41.

DEMMON, Edward, resident in 1790, with a son over sixteen, wife and three daughters.

DEMMON, Esther, was bapt. in re-organized Baptist church in 1843.

DERBY, Samuel, d. Aug. 29, 1850, ae. 29; m. Semira. Had:  
i Flora S., d. Aug. 20, 1850, ae. 2 y. 11 m.

DESROCHESS, M. A., lived here in 1900.

DESROCHESS, J. L., lived here in 1900.

DEWSNAP, Enos L., b. in Sheffield, England, son of Thomas and Ann (Nelson); d. at Buckland, Mar. 24, 1910, ae. 93. He m. Helen Mary, dau. of William Hoole, who d. at Buckland, Nov. 15, 1900, ae. 73. Children:

- i Charles E., b. West Cornwall, Ct.; d. in Buckland, Aug. 3, 1881, ae. 21 yrs.
- ii Florence, b. West Cornwall, Ct.; d. Mar. 15, 1893, ae. 36 yrs., unm.
- iii Helen M., res. Buckland.



DODGE, Alfred, d. Mar. 31, 1886, ae. 82 yrs.; m. Anna Maynard. She d. in Cheshire, Oct. 31, 1855, ae. 48 yrs.

DODGE, Edna, d. July 28, 1831, ae. 35 yrs.

DODGE, Homer, b. 1846; d. 1915; m. Mar. 3, 1870, Sarah E., dau. of Silas and Jane Bigelow. She was b. 1852; d. 1907. Child:

i Ida E., b. Mar. 14, 1887.

DODGE, John A., m. Jan. 10, 1849, Rachel, dau. of Roswell and Martha (Smith) Allis. She was b. Sept. 19, 1832; rem. to Fort Dodge, Ia.

DODGE, Luther of Buckland, m. Ellen J. Hunt, who was b. in Hawley. Child:

i Addie, m. Sept. 23, 1893, F. Edgar Brown of Brimfield.

DODGE, Nathaniel, Dea., with his wife Anna, was received into the second Baptist church by letter in 1836. He d. Oct. 15, 1851, ae. 71 yrs.; she d. Aug. 1, 1849, ae. 66.

DODGE, Nathaniel, s. of N. and B., m. (2) at the age of 68, Betsey, dau. of Benjamin and Polly Trow, and widow of — Thayer, Nov. 22, 1849.

DODGE, Rachel R., m. Oct. 8, 1856, Oliver H. Taylor.

DODGE, Silas, and his wife Content, were admitted to the second Baptist church in 1828. He d. Feb. 25, 1857, ae. 86 yrs. She d. Jan. 23, 1842, ae. 65 yrs.

DODGE, Thomas Emory, s. of Thomas and Martha (Morey), b. Charlemont in 1832; d. Buck., Mar. 15, 1889. His gr. father was pr. Ezekiel, Gt-gr-father Samuel, of Lebanon, N. H. in 1770; m. Agnes S., dau. of Orson and Charlotte Jones of West Deerfield. She was b. in 1844; d. Mar. 17, 1906. Children:

i Mattie C., m. Dec. 31, 1881, Otis Calvin Thayer.

ii Hattie S., b. 1868; m. May 20, 1890 or 91, O. L. Ruddock.

iii Edice M., b. 1873; d. 1917.

iv Louise (or Grace), m. Lewis King; d. Oct. 22, 1905, ae. 23 yrs.

v George, m. Effie Woodward; res. Shel. Falls.

vi Bert, m. Maude Church, widow of Chauncey Dyer; res. Ashfield.

- vii Fred, res. West Deerfield.
- viii Dau., d.

DOLE, Barnett W., bought land in Buckland in 1811; m. July 1, 1802, Prudence, dau. of Gardner and Thankful (Carter) Wilder of Buck. She was b. Aug. 10, 1780; d. Apr. 1850. Children:

- i Infant, b. Aug. 31, 1802; d. Sept. 1, 1802.
- ii Infant, b. Sept. 8; d. Sept. 18, 1806.
- iii Julia S., b. Aug. 18, 1808; m. Edmund Hartwell.
- iv Salmon Wilder, b. Aug. 19, 1809; m. Salina, dau. of Lebbeus Rudd, b. in Charlemont; d. Dec. 18, 1873, ae. 69 yrs. He d. in Windsor, Vt., in 1873; 6 children.
- v Elizabeth W., b. Aug. 27, 1810; m. Rev. Danforth.
- vi Prudence, b. May 4 or 14, 1812; m. Rev. John Eastman.
- vii Lawrence, b. Dec. 24, 1815.
- viii Mary M., b. Apr. 10, 1817; m. Rev. J. J. Smith.
- ix Thankful, b. May 4, 1820; d. Feb. 19, 1844.

DOLE, ENOS M<sup>7</sup>. (Josiah<sup>6</sup>, Parker<sup>5</sup>, Enoch<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>2</sup>, Richard<sup>1</sup>), of a different line from Barnett Dole, was b. in Shelburne, Oct. 17, 1814; sett. in Buck. where he d. Aug. 27, 1899; m. June 22, 1843, Mary Hastings of Buck., who d. June 16, 1870, ae. 54 yrs. Children:

- i William J., m. and had a family. One of his sons was named Clarence.
- ii Charles H., m. Oct. 1874, Jennie Jerusha, dau. of Bildad Woodward of Antwerp, N. Y., formerly of Buck. She d. Apr. 27, 1882.
- iii Mary Elizabeth, b. May 4, 1847; m. Aug. 29, 1868, Emory E. Woodward of Buck. Res. Hoosick, N. Y.
- iv Delia, m. Mar. 23, 1872, Azro Ware, of Buck.
- v Carrie, m. — Brooks and res. in Conn.
- vi Lucy Lovina, d. July 7, 1866, ae. 2 yrs. 10 mos.
- vii Cordelia F., b. May 29, 1849.

DOLE, Orpheus<sup>7</sup> (Josiah<sup>6</sup>, Parker<sup>5</sup>, Enoch<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>2</sup>, Richard<sup>1</sup>), brother of Enos above, b. in Shelburne, June 3, 1806; sett. in Buck. where he d. Feb. 1, 1881; m. Dec. 27, 1828, Mary, the fifth child of Elisha and Betsey Thayer. She was b. 1808; d. 1892. Children:

- i Mary Elizabeth, b. Oct. 18, 1829; m. Dec. 17, 1851, Frank Ward of Buck.
- ii Nancy S., b. Oct. 9, 1831, Hart Upton of Charlemont.
- iii Lucina, m. Feb. 3, 1852, Ashmun Perkins of Buckland.
- iv Louisa Ophelia, b. May 21, 1833.
- v Olivia M., b. 1836; d. 1839.
- vi Fred E., b. July 11, 1848; res. Hartford, Ct.
- vii Lora M., m. June 4, 1871, Charles D. Pratt of Montague. She d. May 11, 1881, ae. 29.
- viii Augustus O., twin, b. Apr. 9, 1844; m. Eva O., dau. of John C. and Emma (Ricker) Gowell, of Maine families. They res. the last years of life in Hartford, Ct. where both d.
- ix Olive Maria, twin, b. Apr. 9, 1844. Prob. d. young.
- x Dora A., b. Dec. 15, 1851; m. — Curtis.
- xi Maria O., b. June 3, 1846; d. Feb. 15, 1860.

DOLE, Julia H., m. 1860, Joel Austin of Sugar Grove, Ill.

DRABBLE, George, m. Ella C. Mrs. Ella C. Drabble was a member of the school committee in 1881, but served only a short time, resigning from the board. Children:

- i Son, b. Sept. 27, 1870.
- ii Son, b. Jan. 30, 1872.

1 DRAKE, Josiah Jr., was in Buckland in 1790, with a family consisting of a wife Chloe and one son under sixteen. Children:

- i Josiah, who rem. to Ashfield.
- 2 ii Jehiel.
- iii Hannah, m. Enos Smith.
- iv Chloe, m. Nathaniel Kellogg of Hadley.

2 Jehiel, s. of Josiah, Jr.(1), b. Buckland; m. Chloe Steel. He d. Mar. 12, 1848, ae. 72 yrs., 10 mos.; soldier in War of 1812. Children:

- i Jehial, b. Buck. May, 1795; d. Pa., Oct. 2, 1874. "He was the oldest of eleven children."
- ii Alvin.
- iii Phebe, m. — Shepard.
- iv Arnold, was a voter in 1822, he left sons Austin and Arnold surely.



- v Chloe, b. June 26, 1797; m. Zenas Field. Their daus., Diadama and Chloe, m. Lewis and Lucius Reniff, both of Buck.
- 3 vi Freeman, b. Mar. 24, 1806.
- 4 vii Manley, Jan., 12, 1808.
- viii Ashley, b. Mar. 10, 1810, rem. to Stockton, N. Y.
- 5 ix Nelson, b. July 26, 1816; d. May 25, 1897; m. Mary Ann Elmer. They had: 1. Electa J., b. May 21, 1839; m. May 6, 1866, William Townsend, Jr., of Conway. She d. in Buckland, Nov. 26, 1907, ae. 68 yrs. 2. Brigham C., b. June 21, 1846; d. Dec. 20, 1846.
- 6 x Dexter, b. Oct. 17, 1819.

3 Freeman, s. of Jehial(2), b. Buck., Mar. 24, 1806; m. July 10, 1828, Melinda M. —. He d. Dec. 29, 1844, ae. 39 yrs. Children:

- i Betsey Lyon, b. 1830.
- ii Theron.
- iii Lewis.
- iv Lucy.
- v Charles F.
- vi Julia Ann.

4 Manley, s. of Jehial(2), b. Buck., Jan. 12, 1808; d. July 8, 1873, ae. 65; m. Caroline Cross, b. in Buck.; d. Mar. 25, 1897, ae. 80. Children:

- i Lucina, b. Buckland; m. (1) J. Holoway Smith; he d. and she m. (2) Feb. 25, 1882, Elisha S. Smith. She d. Dec. 8, 1920, ae. 82.
- ii Lorenzo, G., d. Sept. 6, 1863, ae. 24 yrs.
- iii Francis M., d. Aug. 28, 1844, ae. 2 yrs.
- 7 iv Alanson W.

5 Nelson, s. of Jehial(2), b. July 26, 1816; d. May 25, 1897. He m. Mary Ann Elmer. Children:

- i Electa J., b. May 21, 1839; m. May 6, 1866, William Townsend, Jr. of Conway. She d. in Buck., Nov. 26, 1907.
- ii Brigham C., b. June 21, 1846; d. Dec. 20, 1846.

6 Dexter, s. of Jehial(2), b. Buck., Oct. 17, 1819; d. June 13, 1875, G. R. 1876, ae. 56; m. Philomela C., dau. of Merritt and Mary (Hook) Stetson. She d. Mar. 17, 1914, ae. 91 yrs. Had:

- i Charles, m. Eusebia Guilford of Ashfield, who d. Jan. 28, 1898, ae. 47; had a son, b. Aug. 20, 1877.

7 Alanson W. s. of Manley (4), d. Feb. 29, 1888; m. (1) Jan. 5, 1858, Lydia Smith of Ashfield; m. (2) Jan. 7, 1879, Ellen E., dau. of Munroe and Polly Warner. Had:

- i Edna L.

DRAKE, Charles K., name on voting list, 1900.

DRAKE, Leon D., name on voting list, 1900.

DUBUQUE, Benjamin J., s. of Maurice and Jennie (Daniels), b. in Vt.; a clerk; m. Nov. 26, 1893, Mary Ellen, dau. of Isaac and Ellen (Smith) Booker. She was b. in Buckland, Jan. 29, 1875. Res. Colrain Rd. Children, b. in Buck.:

- i Violet Eleanor, b. Nov. 1, 1894; d. Sept. 21, 1895.
- ii Frederick C., b. Oct. 26, 1896.
- iii Marjorie L., b. Oct. 1, 1898.
- iv Roberta M., b. Aug. 2, 1900.
- v Son, b. July 1, 1903.
- vi Seward, b. Apr. 16, 1906; m. Feb. 14, 1931, Mabel M. Perault of Colrain.
- vii Kenneth M., b. Oct. 19, 1909.

DUDLEY, Antoinette E., b. Nov. 24, 1843; d. June 20, 1917.

DUFFEY, J. A., name on the voter's list of 1900.

DUNBAR, Jeremiah, and his wife, were here in 1790.

1 DUNBAR, William R., (Charles H., Henry C. The latter came from Scotland.), b. July 11, 1842, came to Buck. during the 1870's from Erving; d. Mar. 14, 1917. He m. Apr. —, 1869, Adeline Nancy, dau. of James T. King, b. pr. in Rowe. She d. Apr. 14, 1915. Children, b. Erving:

- i Percy, deceased; buried in Greenfield.
  - ii Harley M., b. June 13, 1875; d. Mar. 24, 1922 in Greenfield; m.; was a locomotive Engineer.
  - iii Burt H., b. July 12, 1877; m. and res. New Haven, Ct.
- 2 iv Roy W., b. Sept. 20, 1878.

2 Roy W., s. of William R., (1) b. Sept. 20, 1878, in Erving (Millers Falls); m. Apr. 21, 1900, Martha, dau. of Stanley and Nellie (Field) Clark of East Charlemont. She was b. Apr. 17, 1879. Their home is on the road to the Buckland Station, a part of the old original Taylor farm. Children:

- i Doris, b. July 27, 1902; m. Nov. 15, 1922, Charles Raymond of Rowe. Res. Buck. Has: 1. Phyllis, b. Feb. 9, 1924; 2. Betty, b. Mar. 26, 1926; 3. Louis, b. Dec. 1, 1927; 4. Lucille, b. Mar. 2, 1930.
- ii Edna, b. Nov. 10, 1909; m. William Mazanec of Turners Falls; Res. Buck. Has: 1. Geraldine, b. Jan. 7, 1929.

DUNHAM, Alvan, d. Feb. 8, 1886, ae. 91 yrs. 11 mos.; m. Mary Newcomb, who d. Oct. 20, 1875, ae. 77 yrs. Only known child:

- i Abigail, b. Dec. 15, 18—(?); d. Feb. 20, 1914; m. William M. Clark.

DUNNELL, Harvey D., d. in Buck., Dec. 8, 1843; ae. 47 yrs.; m. Adeline S. (Sarah ?); res. Buckland. Children:

- i Elvira, minor over 14 in 1848.
- ii Sarah Jane, minor under 14 in 1848.
- iii Harvey D., d. May 14, 1848, ae. 25 yrs, 11 m.; m. Dec. 16, 1846, Melinda, dau. of John Sprague. Her m. int. (2) was pub. Dec. 20, 1853, with Isaac C. Hawks of Shelburne.

DUNNELL, Luther D., s. of Fred D. and Jennie, b. at Shelburne; m. July 31, 1907, Anna P., dau. of George N. and Clara (Merritt) Townsley. Res. Buck. Children:

- i Esther R., b. Oct. 23, 1909.
- ii Jean Alma, b. Dec. 2, 1922.

DUNNELL, Sarah M., dau. of Fred D. and Jennie, m. Sept. 14, 1910, Olin A. Lawrence of So. Acton.

DUNNELL, Arthur, s. of Fred D. and Jennie, m. Nov. 13, 1916 in Buck., Marion E., dau. of George Manning of Shelburne.

EDDY, Capt. Peletiah, is thought to have been the progenitor of the older families of Eddys in Buckland. His wife, Lydia, d. here Nov. 8, 1824, ae. 88.



1 Peletiah, by deeds was here in 1793. His will mentions wife Sarah, his late son Eli's heirs and his son Zebulon. He d. Oct. 11, 1829, ae. 70. His wife Sarah d. Feb. 28, 1841, ae. 76. Children:

2 i Eli.

3 ii Zebulon.

2 Eli, s. of Peletiah(1), prob. b. in Buck.; d. there Sept. 5, 1825, ae. 42 yrs.; mar. (int. pub. Dec. 29, 1818) Esther Chandler of Bernardston. Children:

i Angelina A., a minor under 14, in Dec. 1825.

ii Eli C., d. July 5, 1825, ae. 22 mos.

3 Zebulon, s. of Peletiah(1), b. Buck. probably; soldier in War of 1812; m. (1) Polly —, who d. June 13, 1845, ae. 53 or 55; m. (2) Sept. 7, 1863, when 78 years old, Mary M. Morton of Pittsfield. He d. at Crete, Ill., Oct. 27, 1869, ae. 83 yrs. 8 mos. Children:

i Polly, who m. Luther Severance and rem. to Crete, Ill. Probably others.

EDDY, Chancellor L. (possibly a brother of Zebulon above), m. Polly Dunnell, b. in Whitingham, Vt. She d. Jan. 8, 1869, ae. 58 yrs. His widow, Polly, and Zebulon Eddy requested the appointment of an administrator for the estate. Chancellor L. Eddy d. Nov. 6, 1843, at which time there were five children whose ages ranged from three to eight years. Children:

i Louisa L., d. Feb. 27, 1869, ae. 27 yrs.

ii John P., d. Oct. 3, 1911, ae. 72 years. He had occupied the same farm for thirty-three years, an industrious man of the strictest integrity. He m. Elizabeth A., dau. of George Albee. She d. in Buckland, Nov. 23, 1931, ae. 83; no children.

iii Armenia, d. June 1, 1851, ae. 16 years.

iv Luther, d. May 28, 1864, ae. 28.

v Sarah, d. June 21, 1845.

EDDY, Benjamin, was a resident of Vermont until reaching the age of twenty-one years when he settled in Buckland. He m. Nancy, dau. of Reuben Park of Bernardston. Children:

i Lucinda E.

ii Almon B., b. 1854.

EDDY, Benjamin, was selectman in 1923-4; m. Minnie, dau. of Clark D. Bass of Buckland. Children:

- i Margaret Imogene, m. July 21, 1916, Paul deB. Niles of Buckland.
- ii Alfred Lorenzo, m. July 4, 1918, Ruth F., dau. of Lorenzo and Justina Griswold of Shelburne.

EDDY, Emily A., m. Mar. 30, 1868, L. W. Paine of Rowe.

EDDY, Sarah W., m. Nov. 28, 1834, Benjamin E. Kemp of Buckland or Shelburne.

1 EDSON, Jesse<sup>5</sup> (Obad<sup>4</sup>, Samuel<sup>3</sup>, Samuel<sup>2</sup>, Dea. Samuel<sup>1</sup>, b. in Eng. 1612), b. in Bridgewater in 1744; d. at Florida, Mass., Feb. 1834. In Oct. 1787 he was a member of the committee to write Rev. Preserved Smith to settle as pastor of the church. His occupation was that of a blacksmith. His name appears on the voting list of 1822, but the time of his removal from town has not been ascertained. He m. Susan Howard in Bridgewater. Children:

- i Caleb, b. in Bridgewater, Nov. 21, 1769; d. Dec. 18, 1769.
  - ii Hannah, b. in Bridgewater, Dec. 14, 1770; d. Aug. 20, 1777.
  - iii Jesse, b. in Ashfield, Feb. 12, 1773 (Family record). Another record places his birth in Buckland; d. in Halifax, Vt., Dec. 14, 1805. He was graduated at Dartmouth Coll. in 1794, studied theology with Rev. John Emerson of Conway and was licensed to preach by the Hampshire County Association, Aug. 4, 1795. He m. Sept. 28, 1794, Rebecca, dau. of Lemuel Taylor of Buck.; she m. (2) Capt. Edward Adams of Colrain. She was b. Apr. 23, 1774; d. Apr. 9, 1847.
  - iv Daniel, b. in Buck. Dec. 25, 1774; d. Aug. 15, 1777.
- 2 v Hayward or Howard (given both ways), b. Jan. 20, 1777.
- vi John, b. in Buck. May 29, 1779.
- 3 vii David, b. Aug. 20, 1781.
- viii Susanna, b. Buck., Jan. 31, 1784; d. Aug. 10, 1794.

- ix Hannah, b. Nov. 26, 1786; m. Hugh Quinn, Jr. of Buckland, Feb. 5, 1807.
- x Elizabeth, b. Buck. June 1, 1789; d. Dec. 31, 1853.

2 Hayward or Howard, s. of Jesse(1), b. Jan. 20, 1777; pub. with Rhoda Steel of Ashfield, Jan. 23, 1796. Had:

- i Rhoda Melinda, b. Mar. 16, 1811 in Buck.; m. (1) Rev. Ephraim Culver, pastor of the M. E. ch. in Buck.; (2) ——— Carter and d. in Shelburne Falls, Mar. 30, 1908, ae. 97 yrs.

(There were probably other children in this family.)

3 David, s. of Jesse(1), b. in Buck., Aug. 20, 1781; d. in 1851. He m. (1) Polly Belding of Ashfield. Their int. was pub. June 26, 1800; she d. July 2, 1827, ae. 42 yrs. He m. (2) Electa, dau. of Solomon Field of Conway. She was b. Feb. 17, 1794; d. Jan. 8, 1868. Children:

- i Matilda, b. Apr. 13, 1802.
- ii Solomon, b. Aug. ———.
- iii Minerva, m. John Brown of Colrain. Int. Jan. 17, 1829.
- iv Priscilla.
- v John, b. Mar. 10, ———.
- vi Sylvia, b. Aug. 27, 1813.
- vii Esther, b. Sept. 6, 1816; d. Apr. 25, 1911; m. (1) Ozias Willis of Buckland in 1834; (2) in 1849, Abram Shippee of Ashfield. His dau. Esther M., b. Sept. 30, 1850, m. Elwin C. Hale and res. Buckland.
- viii Samuel, b. Dec. 8, 1820; m. (1) Dec. 9, 1846, Calista, dau. of Mantor Ware. (Another record says that she m. Jesse Edson.) She d. by grave record, Dec. 5, 1851, ae. 32 yrs. He m. (2) Mar. 2, 1854, Dorothy C. Munn of Shelburne. By second wife:
  - ix Electa.
  - x Mary.
  - xi and xii, d. young.
  - xiii David.

EDSON, Anna, wife of Jesse Edson, dau. of Ariel and Submit Ware and widow of Willard Ware, d. Mar. 22, 1891, ae. 78 yrs. She m. Jesse Edson, May 27, 1852.



1 ELDRIDGE, Rufus K<sup>7</sup>., Dea. (John<sup>6</sup>, Eli<sup>5</sup>, Samuel<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, Samuel<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup> of Yarmouth), b. in Ashfield, Feb. 26, 1809 where he lived over fifty years but spent the last eleven years of life in Buckland. He d. Jan. 20, 1877; m. (1) Sophia Brown; (2) Roxana Dickinson. She d. Dec. 1, 1897. Children:

- 2    i    Hurlbert R.
- 3    ii   George D., b. Mar. 25, 1855.
- iii Ella S., m. Dec. 20, 1882, Eugene Newman; d. in Shelburne Falls.

Three others not connected with Buckland.

2 Hurlbert R., s. of Rufus K.(1) and Sophia (Brown), d. in Buck., Feb. 24, 1916, ae. 79 yrs.; m. (1) Mary L., dau. of Olin and Mary Bardwell, b. in Shelburne and d. Mar. 3, 1884, ae. 45 yrs.; m. (2) Jan. 9, 1887, Alsada L., dau. of Nelson R. Patterson of Henniker, N. H. Res. Buckland. Children, order unknown:

- i    Angie L., b. Sept. 12, (1880 ?).
- ii   Mary L., b. Mar. —, 1882; m. Oct. 20, 1903, William J. Stafford of Whitingham, Vt.
- iii Alice J., m. Oct. 12, 1893, Henry Franklin Goldthwait; res. Athol.
- iv   Wilfred H., b. Feb. 10, 1872.

3 George D., s. of Rufus K.(1) and Roxanna (Dickinson), b. Mar. 25, 1855 in Ashfield; d. Sept. 15, 1922. He was for years associated with J. A. Richmond in the Sash and Blind business and later was employed at the Lamson & Goodnow Co. He m. Oct. 4, 1877, Nellie O., dau. of Josiah and Susan Richmond of Buckland. She d. in Buck., Jan. 24, 1929. They lived for a time at Buckland and the last of life on the Shelburne Falls side. Children:

- i    Ralph J., b. Jan. 24, 1881; m.; d. in Brattleboro, Vt., Aug. 17, 1931.
- ii   Phillip R., b. July 6, 1883; m. Dec. 31, 1906, Cora M., dau. of Frederick and Eliza (Marsden) Hallam. They res. Ashfield Street, Buck. He is a shoe merchant at Shelburne Falls. Has: 1. Howard Philip, b. July 14, 1910. Res. Buckland; associated with his father in shoe business:

ELLIS, Benjamin, was in town in 1779.

ELLIS, Edward, was a voter here in 1806.

ELLIS, Eunice and Darius Grant, both of Buckland, were m. Nov. 29, 1798.

ELLIS, Jemima, was pub. with David McNitt, Oct. 18, 1814.

ELLIS, John, of Buckland "forbids anyone trusting his son John Ellis, Jr.," on Nov. 17, 1796.

ELLIS, Lurany, m. Jan. 6, 1799, John Phelps of Buck.

ELLIS, Mehitable, m. Lawrence Kemp, Jr., of Shelburne, Oct. 9, 1799.

ELLIS, Phebe, pub. with Jonathan Clark, Dec. 11, 1802.

ELLIS, Rebecca, pub. with Joel Sprague, May 3, 1814.

ELLIS, Stephen, m. Susanna Colburn of Charlemont, Jan. 1, 1799.

ELMER, Clarence, s. of E. Oscar and Abbie J., b. Charlemont; d. Apr. 25, 1888, ae. 1 yr.

ELMER, Gad<sup>5</sup> (Samuel<sup>4</sup>, Hezekiah<sup>3</sup>, Edward<sup>2</sup>, Edward<sup>1</sup>), b. So. Hadley, Aug. 31, 1760, was in Buck. as early as 1790; m. Nov. 28, 1782, Anna, dau. of Richard and Ruth P. Phillips. She was b. May 4, 1763; d. Mar. 3, 1812. He was a blacksmith by trade, d. Nov. 13, 1819, and with his wife, is buried in the Baptist cemetery at Ashfield. His first four children may have been b. in Ashfield; those from 1790, on, in Buckland. Children:

- i Anna, b. Sept. 23, 1783; d. Sept. 19, 1867; m. Mar. 1801, Othniel Johnson of Buckland.
- ii Betsey, b. June 7, 1785; d. Nov. 27, 1870; pub. Dec. 5, 1801 with Josiah Johnson; rem. to Northfield, Ohio.
- iii Daniel, b. May 4, 1787; d. Oct. 9, 1866; res. Ashfield.
- iv Philo, b. Mar. 5, 1789; d. Oct. 27, 1841; res. Ridgeway, N. Y.
- v Gad, b. Sept. 6, 1790; d. unm.
- vi Adolphus, b. Apr. 10, 1794; d. Aug. 1839; res. Ashfield.
- vii Alpheus, b. Nov. 26, 1795; d. Apr. 28, 1867, unm.
- viii Almira, b. Jan. 25, 1798.
- 2 ix Luther, b. Sept. 11, 1799, at Ashfield.
- x Child, b. Jan. 8, 1801; d. in infancy.

- xi Cleon, b. May 25, 1802, at Ashfield; m. Jan. 1, 1827, Emily Clark, b. in Buck., July 19, 1809; res. New York state and later at Nephi, Utah.
- xii Horace, b. Nov. 20, 1804; d. Feb. 26, 1854.

2 Luther, s. of Gad(1), b. at Ashfield, Sept. 11, 1799; d. Apr. 7, 1857. He joined the second Baptist church in Buck., by letter from the church in Ashfield in 1853 as did his wife. He m. Eliza Ames who was b. Jan. 21, 1799; she m. (2) Feb. 5, 1863, Isaac Shepard of Stockton, N. Y., formerly of Ashfield. Children:

- i Milo, b. May 5, 1819.
- ii Alonzo, b. Dec. 13, 1821; prob. d. in 1831.
- 3 iii Horace, b. May 3, 1824.
- 4 iv Andrew Luther, b. Apr. 7, 1826.
- v Elizabeth, b. Feb. 5, 1831; m. William Ward of Buckland.
- vi Annis L., b. Mar. 24, 1833.
- vii Philo M., b. Apr. 14, 1837.
- viii Alonzo M., b. Apr. 21, 1841; d. Apr. 28, 1864.

3 Horace, s. of Luther(2), b. May 3, 1824; m. Oct. 26, 1849, Maria M., dau. of Merritt Stetson, b. Mar. 6, 1824; d. Jan. 7, 1893. He was a miller, residing in Buck. where he d. Aug. 27, 1893. Children:

- i Belle M., b. June 22, 1854; m. May 3, 1885, Edward J. Littlefield.
- 5 ii Eugene M., b. Nov. 3, 1856.

4 Andrew Luther, s. of Luther(2), b. Apr. 7, 1826; m. Apr. 19, 1849, Sarah Ann, dau. of Peter and Lydia Butler, b. Aug. 6, 1829 in Buck.; she m. (2) Oct. 28, 1869, William Harrison Elmer and res. Ashfield. Andrew Elmer was a tailor by trade residing in Buck. where he d. Oct. 13, 1861. Children:

- i Walter Raleigh, b. June 10, 1851; m. Ada Frances Van Valkenberg of Buck., Mar. 3, 1880. Resided Greenfield.
- ii Martha Rosella, b. Sept. 9, 1852, in Buck.; m. Jan. 20, 1880, William B. Gardner; res. Ashfield.
- iii Flora Angie, b. Sept. 25, 1855.

5 Eugene M., s. of Horace(3), b. Nov. 3, 1856; d. Aug. 30, 1926. He m. Apr. 8, 1883, Pearl, dau. of Jonas B. and Keziah B. Max-



well of Charlemont. He res. Buck. where he held many town offices, including that of selectman. Children:

- 6 i Linwood H., b. July 22, 1884.
- ii Vera B., b. July 10, 1888; m. Oct. 10, 1914, Evan L. Forbes; res. No. Attleboro.

6 Linwood H., s. of Eugene M.(5), b. July 22, 1884; m. June 20, 1908, Maud L., dau. of Charles A. and Eliza Taylor Wilder. He is in the grain business at Buck. Children:

- i Ruth Marie, b. Aug. 15, 1914.
- ii Elizabeth, b. June 25, 1918.
- iii Pearl Eliza, b. Apr. 24, 1920.
- iv Jean Lena, b. Feb. 24, 1929; d. Feb. 18, 1930.

ELMER, Edwin R.<sup>7</sup> (Erastus<sup>6</sup>, Samuel<sup>5</sup>, Samuel<sup>4</sup>, Hezekiah<sup>3</sup>, Edward<sup>2</sup>, Edward<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 12, 1850, in Ashfield; rem. to Buck.; m. Mary E. Ware, who d. June 10, 1882. Had:

- i Effie L., b. June 29, 1880; d. Jan. 3, 1890.

ELMER, Samuel, brother of Edwin R., above; b. Apr. 11, 1849; rem. to Buck. where he m. June 29, 1878, Alma E., dau. of Joseph W. Whiting; she was b. Jan. 4, 1856 and d. June 12, 1882; he m. (2) Alice J. Keith, a native of Maine. He finally rem. to Gloversville, N. Y. Children:

- i Maud V., b. Mar. 19, 1879; teacher in Seattle, Wash.
- ii Blaine Everett, b. Nov. 30, 1895.

ELMER, Clarissa E., dau. of Samuel and Chloe, b. at Ashfield, m. — Wright and d. in Buck., Mar. 6, 1884, ae. 75.

ELMER, Wilson, of Buck., brother of Clarissa above, m. Nov. 26, 1875, Amanda R. Ranney.

ELMER, Lydia<sup>7</sup> (Obed<sup>6</sup>, Zenas<sup>5</sup>, Samuel<sup>4</sup>, Hezekiah<sup>3</sup>, Edward<sup>2</sup>, Edward<sup>1</sup>), m. Jan. 2, 1833, Luther Chapin of Buckland.

ELMER, Susan, wife of Erastus, and dau. of Israel and Esther Smith, b. in Buck. Nov. 1, 1807; d. there, Mar. 18, 1878.

EVERSON, Andrew J., resided here in 1900.

FARNUM, George C., d. at Baton Rouge, Mar. 7, 1863, ae. 23 years. Member Co. E., 52nd Reg. M. V. M.

1 Farnum, Heman, s. of Benoni of Springfield, b. 1761; m. June 4, 1786, Mary, dau. of Joseph Field. He rem. from Sunderland to Buck., and with his wife was admitted to the second Baptist church in 1828. He d. Nov. 8, 1847, and she, Apr. 4, 1846, ae. 82 yrs. Children:

- i Dency, b. June 14, 1787; d. 1831, unm.
- ii Lima, b. Nov. 26, 1789; m. 1812, Seth Smith Henderson of Amherst.
- iii Diah, b. Feb. 1, 1795, insane.
- iv Betsey, b. June 4, 1797.
- v Mary, b. Nov. 26, 1801.
- 2 vi William, b. 1804.
- vii Child, d. Feb. 13, 1809.
- viii Almira, b. Oct. 21, 1809; m. Nov. 8, 1831, Dixon M. Daniels.

2 William, s. of Heman(1), b. 1804, at Sunderland; admitted to the second Baptist church in Buck. in 1828; d. July 7, 1869. He m. in Halifax, Vt., Dec. 3, 1829, Orpha Hartwell of Charlemont; she d. Apr. 17, 1835, ae. 29 yrs. He m. (2) in Deerfield, June 22, 1837, Julia A., dau. of Samuel and Nancy Chapman, who d. Oct. 17, 1887, ae. 72. He d. July 7, 1868 or 69. Children, b. in Buckland:

- i Lyman W., sett. in Ill.
- ii Mary Ella, twin, b. Jan. 8, 1852; m. Oct. 5, 1871, William C. McKnight of Buck.
- iii Julia E., twin, b. Jan. 8, 1852; d. Oct. 22, 1898, unm. There were probably also in this family, Lyman, who d. Feb. 5, 1832, ae. 1 year; William Z., who d. Apr. 21, 1847, ae. 9 years; Julia A., b. Mar. 1, 1848; d. Oct. 4, 1849.

FARNUM, Joseph, b. May 16, 1784; d. July 3, 1866; m. Abigail, dau. of Elias and Abigail (Ballard) Carter, Nov. 5, 1825. She was b. May 30, 1798; d. Mar. 27, 1885. Res. Buckland. Children:

- i Asa B., b. Apr. 22, 1827; m. Apr. 12, 1852, Almira E. Frink.
- ii Perley E., b. June 13, 1828.
- iii Henry M., b. Sept. 29, 1829; m. Nov. 18, 1857, Almira E. Farnum (his brother's widow); res. Minneapolis, Minn.

- iv Catherine, b. Sept. 27, 1831; m. Oct. 25, 1854, Charles V. Hills; res. Keeler, Mich.
- v Abigail, b. Oct. 12, 1833; m. May 25, 1859, Amos Knapp; res. Silver Creek, Mich.
- vi Clarissa, b. Sept. 18, 1837; m. Apr. 10, 1860, Thomas F. Bond; res. Volinia, Mich.
- vii Adelpia E., b. Sept. 15, 1845; res. Dowagiac, Mich.

Fellows, Baxter, m. 1844, Elvira, dau. of William and Maria (Carter) Sherwin. She was b. in N. Y. state Apr. 5, 1819; d. Mar. 18, 1852; m. (2) Feb. 23, 1853, Electa Thayer of Plainfield. Children:

- i Edwin Sherwin, b. Feb. 22, 1845 or 1846; d. May 10, 1877.
- ii Lyman Eldredge, b. Mar. 11, 1850; res. Minneapolis, Minn.
- iii Charles Baxter, b. Dec. 2, 1851; res. Minneapolis, Minn.

FELLOWS, Robert B., s. of Igal of Shelburne, m. Nov. 30, or Dec. 6, 1854, Huldah Submit, dau. of Job Woodward. Had:

Robbie J., b. June 13, 1868; d. Sept. 8, 1868.

FESSENDEN, Wyman, bought land in Buckland, June 7, 1796, of Dr. John Safford, Jr., of Winsor; one corner of this tract was marked by "a heap of stones in the river on the Ashfield line." He m. Jan. 25, 1798, Mary Kilbourn; both were of Buckland. Had:

- i Seth Wyman, bap. May 10, 1801.

FESSENDEN, Joseph, pub. with Percy Bass, both of Buckland, Dec. 5, 1793.

FIELD, Elijah<sup>7</sup> (Theodore<sup>6</sup>, Elijah<sup>5</sup>, Joseph<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Zechariah<sup>1</sup>), b. in Hawley, May 22, 1828, sett. in Buckland; was drowned in the Deerfield River in the great freshet of Oct. 11, 1869. He m. Nov. 9, 1856, Martha W., dau. of Francis and Mahala (Maynard) Mantor of Hawley. She was b. in 1833; d. Nov. 13, 1891. Children:

- i Morris Edwin, b. Sept. 30, 1857; m. Jan. 2, 1889, Marion S., dau. of David S. and Esther R. Thayer of Charlemont.



- ii Nellie Jane, b. Dec. 4, 1858; m. David Stanley Clark of Buck., May 1, 1878.
- iii Inez Mahala, b. Feb. 6, 1861; m. June 23, 1897, Edward B. Nims of Northampton.
- iv Ozro Miller, b. June 10, 1862; m. (1) Grace Hayes, b. 1872; d. 1918; m. (2) Mary L., dau. of George and Eliza Hayes, Sept. 9, 1919. Now maintains a summer home in Buckland; 3 children.
- v Angie Deborah, b. Jan. 23, 1864; d. 1917.
- vi Katie Maria, b. Aug. 10, 1866.
- 2 vii Otis Longley, b. June 25, 1868.
- viii Francis Elijah, b. Mar. 30, 1869; d. Dec. 22, 1898.

2 Otis Longley, s. of Elijah(1), b. June 25, 1868; m. Mar. 12, 1907, Ada E., dau. of Solomon and Laura Carpenter of Buck. He is a farmer. Children:

- i Dorothy, b. Jan. 1, 1908.
- ii Francis, b. July 10, 1910.

FIELD, Mary L., b. Boston, m. — Locklin; d. in Buckland, Nov. 25, 1875, ae. 85 yrs.

FIELD, Reuben Wright<sup>6</sup> (Solomon<sup>5</sup>, Moses<sup>4</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>3</sup>, Samuel<sup>2</sup>, Zechariah<sup>1</sup>), b. Conway, Apr. 3, 1779; rem. to Buckland in 1806, and d. there Jan. 24, 1863. He m. Apr. 10 (ch. rec.), Apr. 14 (Field Gen.), 1806, Polly, dau. of Zebulon and Alice (Chase) White of Buckland. She was b. Apr. 11, 1782; d. May 15, 1808; m. (2) June 3 or 15, 1809, Abigail S. White, sister of his first wife. She was b. Oct. 3, 1787; d. June 8, 1840. Children:

- i Zebulon White, b. June 19, 1807; m. Roxana Giles.
- ii Reuben Wright, b. May 12, 1808; d. May 21, 1808.
- iii Solomon, b. and d. May 17, 1810.
- iv Mary White, b. Feb. 27, 1812; m. Dec. 14, 1836, Dexter Atkins of Buck.; d. Mar. 29, 1885.
- v Abigail, b. Aug. 22, 1815; d. Dec. 12, 1820.
- vi Son, who d. Jan. or June 25, 1814.
- vii Lucy W., b. Jan. 8, 1818; m. May 15, 1844, Willard Packard of Goshen; m. (2) June 16, 1853, Samuel A. Clark of Hawley.
- 2 viii Reuben Wright, b. Aug. 14, 1820.
- ix Polly, b. and d. 1823.

- x Abigail A., b. Dec. 12, 1824; m. Jan. 20, 1853, Alphonzo Dickinson of Hadley.

2 Reuben Wright, s. of Reuben Wright(1), b. Aug. 14, 1820, educated at the district schools and Arms Academy, Shelburne Falls, then for a time he carried on a saw-mill and woodworking shop at West Hawley. In 1848 he rem. to Lanesboro, where he m. Nov. 27, 1848, Harriet I., dau. of Samuel and Mary Parker of Dalton; she d. Feb. 27, 1870, ae. 41 yrs.; m. (2) Sept. 22, 1872, Mary, dau. of Lorenzo Severance of Shelburne, and widow of Chauncey Kimball of Wethersfield, Ct.; she d. Mar. 10, 1890. In 1877, Reuben Field returned to Buck. and became one of the best known, public spirited citizens of his day filling many public offices, including that of school committee. His third wife was Mary Smith, b. in Palmer, to whom he was m. Feb. 10, 1892. He d. Oct. 20, 1895. Children:

- i Mary Elvira, b. Sept. 7, 1849; d. Apr. 18, 1872.
- ii Duane Wright, b. June 10, 1853; m.; res. Oakland, Cal.
- iii Harriet Lillian, b. Mar. 22, 1859; res. Pittsfield.
- iv Henry P., b. Sept. 24, 1861; d. Apr. 20, 1865.
- v Jennie Russell, b. Sept. 24, 1867; res. Hartford, Ct.
- vi Kimball Severance, b. Oct. 7, 1873; res. Buckland.

FIELD, Zenas<sup>6</sup> (Zenas<sup>5</sup>, Eliakim<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Zechariah<sup>1</sup>), b. Whately, Sept. 22, 1796; was a voter in Buckland in 1822, d. in Ashfield, Feb. 1, 1871. He m. Chloe, dau. of Jehiel and Chloe (Steel) Drake of Buck. She was b. June 26, 1797; d. Jan. 29, 1856 in Northampton; m. (2) Anna ——. Children:

- i Diadama, b. Sept. 4, 1820; m. Nov. 20, 1842, Lewis Reniff of Buckland.
- ii Zenas, b. 1822; m. Clarissa Dawson.
- iii Lovina, b. Apr. 21, 1824; m. Lewis Dawson, of Chesterfield.
- iv Lydia.
- v Chloe, m. Nov. 20, 1842, Lucius Reniff of Buckland.
- vi John L., prob. d. young.
- vii Charles, b. Mar. 1, 1834.
- viii Lydia, b. May 24, 1835; m. Austin Guilford of Northampton.
- ix David J., b. Sept. 13, 1837; m. Sarah Damon.
- x Lomina, m. — Ball; d. in Buck., Dec. 20, 1877, ae. 52.

1 FIFE, Robert, d. June 26, 1871, ae. 60 yrs.; his wife, Rebecca Carrier, was b. in Hawley, d. Apr. 2, 1895, ae. 85 yrs. Had:

2 i Lucius Smith, b. Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 22, 1840.

2 Lucius Smith, s. of Robert(1), b. Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 22, 1840; d. Dec. 15, 1911. He was a florist residing Buck.; m. June 15, 1875, Myra E., dau. of Chester Elmer, b. at Shaftsbury, Vt., Apr. 21, 1855. Children:

i Eleanor, b. July 30, 1876; m. Oct. 31, 1902, Charles E. Buell of New Haven, Ct.

ii Rena I., b. Oct. 23, 1878; m. June 15, 1904, Emil M. Schneck of Cadwallader, Pa., a native of Berne, Switzerland. He is a civil engineer. They res. in Greenfield.

1 FISH, Darius U., s. of Thomas and Lucy, b. Savoy; d. June 13, 1885, ae. 47 yrs.; m. Mary Bower. Children:

2 i Hamlin W., b. Buckland.

3 ii Hiram E., b. Buckland.

iii Hattie, m. Harry Shephardson; res. Shel. Falls; is deceased.

iv Rose Ella, b. 1871; m. (1) Harry S. Bond of Hartford, Ct.; m. (2) Fred Turner; res. Hartford, Ct.

v Frank U., b. July 21, 1872; m.; res. Greenfield.

vi George W., b. 1874; m.; res. Pittsfield.

2 Hamlin W., s. of Darius(1), b. Buck.; m. Dec. 25, 1881, Veltine Lena, dau. of Henry and Selina Luriche, b. Canada; d. Nov. 27, 1891. Res. Buck., removed to Hartford, Ct. and m. again. Children:

i Alfred D., b. Dec. 18, 1887; d. Apr. 20, 1888, in Buck.

ii Ethel Rose; res. N. Y. City, unm.

iii Alexander, res. Pittsfield.

iv Elmore, res. Hartford.

3 Hiram A., s. of Darius(1), b. Buckland; d. June 29, 1927, ae. 63 yrs. He m. Mary A., dau. of Daniel and Elizabeth (Coleman) Donahue. She was b. in London, England; d. in Buckland, May 25, 1919, ae. 54 yrs. Children:

i Amy L., b. Oct. 23, 1884; m. June 29, 1904, Frank W. Rowland of Buck.



- ii Grace F., b. Jan. 13, 1886; d. Oct. 7, 1886.
- iii Ellsworth U., b. Dec. 1, 1887; d. Jan. 21, 1889.
- iv Ora Beatrice, b. Nov. 16, 1889; m. Feb. 19, 1908,  
Walter S. McNeil of Buck.
- v Clement Eugene, b. Dec. 26, 1893; d. June 19, 1894.
- vi Risuelo Esther, b. 1895; m. June 7, 1915, Leon T.  
Haley of Buck.

FISH, Joseph, joined the second Baptist church by letter from Savoy.

FISK, Alexander, m. Mary Ann —, who d. Oct. 23, 1841, ae. 47 yrs. They were in Buckland in 1830, when he joined the second Baptist church by letter.

FISK, Emily and Leonard, joined the second Baptist church in 1830. She was dropped from membership in 1839.

FISK, Joel, m. Betsey Smith of Buckland, Jan. 9, 1796.

FISK, Noble, Rev., b. 1842 in Heath; m. May 1, 1867, Lucy A., dau. Albert Pelton and had: 1. daughter, b. on Feb. 28, 1870; 2. Lilia M., b. May 27, 1872.

FLOWER, Hannah, m. Mar. 19, 1807, Ebenezer Wade of Buckland.

FLOWER, Harriet, m. Apr. 9, 1810, John Davis of Buckland.

FLOWER, Joseph, was a blacksmith. He and his wife Mehitable were admitted to the first Baptist church in 1789. The 1790 Census gives his family as consisting of four females.

FORBES, Charles, had a son, b. July 4, 1852.

1 FORBES, (name originally Forbush), Daniel, formerly of Ashfield, d. Dec. 31, 1871, ae. 82 yrs. He m. Mary, dau. of Abner and Mary Phillips of Ashfield, who d. Mar. 15, 1875, ae. 77 yrs. Res. Buck. Children:

2 i Frederick, b. Ashfield, June 16, 1821.

2 Frederick, s. of Daniel(1), b. Ashfield, June 16, 1821; d. Buckland, Aug. 7, 1897; m. June 21, 1849, Mary Ann, dau. of Zephaniah and Fanny (Moor) Richmond. She was b. Aug. 25, 1831; d. July 3, 1917. They rem. to Buck. in 1851 and were soon numbered among the town's most reliable citizens. Mr. Forbes was a member of the school committee, active in all

civic life. Mrs. Forbes was a woman closely identified with all worthy projects, of excellent memory and well known by her writings on local topics. Children:

- i Fayette F., m. Mar. 15, 1876, Lucy R., dau. of Abijah P. Thayer; became superintendent of the Water Department, Brookline.
- 3 ii Warren D.
- iii Sereno, d. Feb. 5, 1875, ae. 18 yrs.
- iv Zephaniah R., res. Brookline.

3 Warren D., s. of Frederick(2), d. Feb. 1923, ae. 61; m. Feb. 28, 1884, Lena H., dau. of George D. Crittenden. He was a teacher in the Buckland schools, a well known authority locally on Botany, a member of the school committee. Children:

- i Bessie Irene, b. Sept. 15, 1887.
- ii Evan Leslie, b. Aug. 5, 1889; m. Vera B., dau. of Eugene and Pearl Elmer of Buckland, Oct. 10, 1914. Res. Athol.

FORBES, Ebenezer, d. June 5, 1853, ae. 90.

1 FORBES, Edward, b. at Bridgewater, Oct. 25, 1755; d. May 2, 1835; was a Revolutionary pensioner. He came from Bridgewater in 1785. In the church records at Buckland, his name is given as Edmund. He m. Eunice, dau. of Isaac Amsden. She was b. Apr. 22, 1755; d. Jan. 1, 1843. Children:

- i Sarah, m. 1825 (per. in June), Rev. Robert Travis of New York, and d. at Rahway, N. J., Dec. 31, 1868.
- ii Abner, b. Apr. 21, 1792; d. at Conway, Oct. 26, 1877. "One of the men who originated the Anti-Slavery movement in this Country," G. Stone; m. Sarah Hunt, b. Apr. 22, 1794; d. Oct. 10, 1854. Had: 1. William Edward, b. Feb. 5, 1824; d. Oct. 6, 1845. 2. Sarah C., d. May 23, 1895, ae. 61 yrs.
- 2 iii William, b. Aug. 25, 1802.

2 William, s. of Edward(1), b. Aug. 25, 1802; d. Oct. 13, 1840. He m. ab. Dec. 1825, Eunice Sherman of Conway, dau. of Caleb and Eunice (Bacon). She was a Real Daughter of the American Revolution, member of Dorothy Quincy Hancock

Chapter, D.A.R., Greenfield, b. Apr. 17, 1809, and d. in Conway, Feb. 6, 1899. Children:

- i Sarah H.
- ii Minerva A., b. Aug. 25, 1830; m. May 28, 1851, Carlos Batchelder of Conway.
- 3 iii Caleb E.
- iv Infant, d. Apr. 29, 1835.
- v William, A., b. May 13, 1836, became a dry goods merchant in Greenfield.

3 Caleb, s. of William(2), b. in Buck.; d. Jan. 19, 1910, ae. 77 yrs.; m. June 4, 1856, Roxana, dau. of Kimball Batchelder of Conway. She was b. Dec. 26, 1833; d. Feb. 11, 1892. Children:

- i Alice K., d. Oct. 7, 1871, ae. 12 yrs.
- ii Emma F., d. Apr. 2, 1861, ae. 2 mos.
- iii George, who d. in Holyoke, leaving a family.
- iv Edward B., b. May 29, 1869; d. Oct. 21, 1869.
- v Caleb E., b. Dec. 25, 1873.
- vi Harry L., b. abt. 1874; d. Jan. 23, 1890, ae. 16 yrs.

FORBES, Jotham, brother of Edward or Edmund, and Phebe, joined the first Baptist church in 1789. Child:

- i Joshua, d. in Dec. 1806, ae. 11 years, from injuries received from a companion while at play.

FORBUSH, or FORBES, Mindwell, pub. with Samuel Moody, Dec. 3, 1798; m. Jan. 29, 1799, at which time her residence was given as Ashfield.

FORBUSH, Polly, perhaps dau. of Widow Sarah; m. Jan. 7, 1802, Leonard Aldrich of either Salem or Sodus, N. Y.

FORBUSH, Sarah, widow. In 1790 she was recorded as the head of the family in Buckland and had one free while female living with her. She d. suddenly Dec. 14, 1826, ae. 88 years.

FORBUSH, Thomas, was a voter here in 1806.

FRENCH, MANASSEH, was here in 1790 with a family of three males under sixteen, and five females. He joined the first Baptist church in 1789. Manasseh and Hannah French sold land here in 1791, and probably left town as no more mention is found of them.



1 FRITZ, Christian, b. in Germany; d. in Buck., Aug. 19, 1913, ae. 65 yrs. He m. Eliza Luippold, b. in Germany and d. in Buck., Nov. 27, 1907, ae. 63 yrs. Children:

- i Christian, b. 1872; d. July 14, 1929.
- ii Mary, d. Apr. 13, 1875; ae. 7 mos.
- iii Mary, b. Oct. 6, 1875; d. Dec. 6, 1875.
- iv Elizabeth, b. Oct. 28, 1876; d. Oct. 30, 1876.
- v Rosa L., d. Sept. 15, 1900, ae. 22 yrs., unm.
- 2 vi George, b. May 14, 1879.
- vii Emma, b. Oct. 12, 1880; d. Mar. 13, 1881.

2 George, s. of Christian(1), b. May 14, 1879; m. Aug. 31, 1910, Lucy E., dau. of John and Duverne (Reniff) Phillips. Resides State Street. Had:

- i Verna Elizabeth, b. Feb. 26, 1917.

FRITZ, Jacob, s. of George and Annie M., was b. in Germany; d. Jan. 29, 1884, ae. 42 yrs.; m. Mary F. Kros (or Gorse), also b. in Germany. He was a cutler by trade. Children:

- i Anna Mary, b. Aug. 14, 1875.
- ii Jacob, b. Feb. 6, 1880.

1 FROST, Elmer, s. of Joseph of Boston and Charlemont, b. at Charlemont, May 11, 1799; d. at Buck., Dec. 3, 1865. He was in town as early as 1822, his name appearing on the voting list for that year. He m. Aug. 16, 1821, Mary, dau. of Samuel and Betsey (Leonard) Brackett of Buck. She was b. May 29, 1798; d. Aug. 12, 1877. Children:

- 2 i Justus B., b. Dec. 29, 1821.
- ii Mary A., b. May 20, 1823; m. Mar. 24, 1847, Isaiah Vincent. She d. Feb. 16, 1892.
- iii Sarah, b. Sept. 21, 1828; d. Jan. 1, 1830.
- iv Sarah E., b. Oct. 8, 1830; m. Apr. 14, 1858, Philip Woodward.
- 3 v Joseph E., b. Jan. 29, 1834.
- vi Cordelia, twin, b. Aug. 29, 1838; d. June 1, 1840.
- vii Amelia E., twin, b. Aug. 29, 1838; m. Dec. 10, 1857, Tertius Davenport of Buck.

2 Justus B., s. of Elmer(1), b. in Buckland, Dec. 29, 1821; d. Apr. 30, 1896. He m. Dec. 31, 1846, Eveline, dau. of Lyman and

Myra Wood. He followed the trade of a carpenter until 1861, then for a time carried on a saw-mill; served as Deputy Sheriff, selectman and assessor. Had:

- i Ernest C., m. Apr. 12, 1892, Bertha A., dau. of John E. and Mary L. (Dant) Winterhalder, b. in 1873.

3 Joseph E., s. of Elmer(1), b. Jan. 29, 1834; d. Dec. 28, 1894. He m. July 3, 1862, Lucy, dau. of Willard and Annie Ware of Buckland. She d. Aug. 2, 1900, ae. 58. As the dau's. Luna C. Scott and Ida L. Patriquin are given in probate papers as "only heirs" of their Mother, the other children probably deceased prior to Aug. 1900. Children:

- i Son, b. Sept. 17, 1863.
- ii Herman E., d. Jan. 30, 1866.
- iii Dau., b. Jan. 14, 1867.
- iv Son, b. Sept. 28, 1871.
- v Willard E., b. Aug. 30, 1875; d. Sept. 5, 1875.
- vi Luna C., m. Walter E. Scott, Dec. 29, 1887; res. Greenfield.
- vii Ida L., m. Lewis Patriquin of Greenfield.

FROST, John F., brother of Elmer(1), b. Sept. 13, 1800; d. June 13, 1840; m. Oct. 15, 1826, Elmina C., dau. of Benjamin and Hepzibah (Williams) Carter. She was b. June 20, 1804; d. Dec. 12, 1873. Children:

- i Arvilla T., b. Feb. 19, 1829; m. Nov. 12, 1847, Daniel H. Bement of Brattleboro, Vt.
- ii Bartlett L., b. Jan. 12, 1832; d. Apr. 26, 1889; m. Roxana Ware of Buckland, where they res. and had three children: 1. Adella J. 2. Corella M., d. age 18 yrs. 3. Avon E.
- iii Lucy M., b. June 24, 1836; d. June 6, 1837.
- iv Lucy Maria, b. Apr. 5, 1838; m. Jan. 21, 1858, Charles D. Smith.
- v Horace P., b. Nov. 30, 1840; m. Nov. 18, 1868, Clare Stearns of Brattleboro, Vt.

FROST, Henry M., b. in England, a cutler by trade, m. Harriet Askham, also b. in England. Had:

- i Eliza Marsden, b. May 6, 1876.

FROST, Ida E., d. Mar. 23, 1868, ae. 18 yrs.

FULLER, Alice L., m. William L. Knapp of North Adams. He d. Nov. 15, 1928.

FULLER, Ebenezer, per. a son of Eli, d. Oct. 3, 1798, ae. 33 yrs. He was twice married but the names of his wives are unknown. He is buried in the old cemetery at East Buckland. Had at least:

- i Blodgett, b. 1787; d. Oct. 1, 1855; m. June 12, 1806, Hannah, dau. of Amos Wood.

FULLER, Eli, bought land in "No-Town, June 17, 1777. Cordwainer by trade. In an old deed dated 1770 speaks of Josiah Cook as "My honored Father." In 1790 his family is recorded as one son over sixteen, two under, and his wife. His mar. int. was pub. Aug. 1 — with — Lockline of Conway; Mary, wife of Eli Fuller, d. July 30, 1841, ae. 83, prob. a 2nd wife; selectman in 1794; d. Oct. 31, 1828, ae. 81 yrs. It is quite probable that the Ebenezer, George, and Joseph here listed were sons, altho' positive proof is wanting.

FULLER, George, m. May 7, 1795, Lydia, dau. of Elijah and Lydia Thayer. she was b. in 1769. Children:

- i Charles.
- ii Lydia.
- iii Thirza.

FULLER, Jacob, m. Sept. 16, 1805, Delia, dau. of Elijah and Lydia (Cobb) Fuller; sett. in Rutland, N. Y.

FULLER, Joseph, pub. with Melinda White, Sept. 16, 1818; both joined the Baptist church in 1828; dismissed to the church in Ashfield, in 1830.

FULLER, Lucretia Wood, joined the Baptist church in 1828, was dismissed to the church in Ashfield. By church record, Lucretia Wood m. Joseph Fuller of Ashfield, May 11, 1812.

FULLER, Sybil, joined the Baptist church in 1831, dismissed to the church in Pittsfield in 1836.

FULLER, Thankful, also given Rachel, m. Rufus Taylor of Charlemont, Feb. 11, 1806.



FULLER, Luther R., s. of Mather and Sarah (Jenks), b. in Charlemont; d. Aug. 1, 1910, ae. 66; a painter; m. Mary E., dau. of Luther and Melvina (Swan) Chapin; she was b. in Ashfield; d. in Buck., Apr. 4, 1918, ae. 69 yrs. Children:

- i Edward W., res. San Francisco and Berkley, Cal.
- ii Earl Julian, b. Jan. 12, 1874; res. Ashland, N. H.
- iii Ethel Chapin, b. Sept. 19, 1880; m. June 26, 1901, Lewis H. Johnson of Shelburne; res. Buck.

1 GAFFIGAN, Thomas, b. in Buck.; m. Emma, dau. of Andrew and Sarah Hart. She was b. in Conway; d. in Buck., Oct. 3, 1909, ae. 39 yrs. Children:

- 2 i William Earl, b. June 2, 1894.
- ii Nellie J., b. Feb. 15, 1897.
- iii Anna E., b. Sept. 14, 1898.
- iv Catherine, m. June 8, 1926, William Peletier of Conway.
- v Dau., b. Aug. 10, 1902.
- vi Daughter, b. June 10, 1903.
- vii Sarah M., b. June 17, 1905; m. June 25, 1928, William E. Larkin of Haydenville.
- viii Dau., b. May 30, 1908.
- ix Mary, b. Sept. 9, 1909; d. Dec. 20, 1927.

2 William Earl, s. of Thomas(1), m. Aug. 19, 1916, Minnie V., dau. of Joseph and Mary G. Giles, b. in Whitingham, Vt. Children:

- i Margaret, b. Mar. 27, 1917.
- ii Mary Laura, b. Dec. 8, 1919.
- iii Irene Annie, b. Nov. 10, 1922.
- iv William Frank, b. Sept. 18, 1927.

GAFFIGAN, John, s. of Keron, b. in Ireland; d. Aug. 15, 1873, ae. 42 yrs.; m. Mary ——. Children:

- i Hannah, b. in Westminster, Ct.; d. Feb. 21, 1882, ae. 21 yrs., unm.
- ii Minnie E., b. "in state of Conn."; d. Jan. 14, 1890, ae. 26 yrs., unm.

GATES, Anthony, s. of John and Catherine, b. in France; m. in Buck., Nov. 2, 1882, Hannah L., dau. of John and Christina Johnson, b. in Sweden. She d. Apr. 1, 1920, ae. 67 yrs. Children:

- i Gertrude Cardine, b. Apr. 5, 1885; m. June 6, 1915, Albert M. Dexter of Orange.
- ii Ethel Garldine, b. Aug. 17, 1887.

GLASGOW, David, s. of Samuel and Alice, b. in Scotland; d. Feb. 21, 1908, ae. 85 yrs.; m. Mary Ann, dau. of John and Margaret Small, b. Scotland; d. May 15, 1900, ae. 74 yrs. Children:

- i Alice, m. Oct. 20, 1872, Jacob A. Haigis of New Britain, Ct., and Buckland.
- ii Son, b. Nov. 16, 1862.
- iii Hattie N., m. Mar. 18, 1884, Albert J. Amstein.

GLEASON, Ellen, m. Mar. 17, 1853, Patrick Callahan.

GLEASON, Jonathan<sup>6</sup> (Aaron<sup>5</sup>, Aaron<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 20, 1777 at Rowe; d. Dec. 27, 1807. He, of Buckland, was pub. Aug. 11, 1804, with Cybel (Sybil), dau. of John and Betsey (Ward) Adams of Rowe. She was b. Dec. 20, 1778 in Rowe. No children.

GODDARD, Joseph, b. in Canada, 1845; d. Feb. 14, 1922. He m. Mar. 4, 1876, Mary P., dau. of Austin P. Ward of Buckland. She was b. Feb. 22, 1844; d. Nov. 21, 1910. Children:

- i Carrie Blanch, b. Jan. 11, 1877.
- ii Julia A., b. Aug. 31, 1881; d. 1924.
- iii Albert J., b. Dec. 16, 1885; m. Sept. 30, 1908, Gertrude A., dau. of Frank and Hattie (Starkey) Taylor of Charlemont.

GODDARD, Peter, rem. to N. Y. City, m. (1) Climena, dau. of Richmond Mallory, June 13, 1861; she d. Jan. 26, 1864; m. (2) Mary W., dau. of Ezra Howes. Had:

- i Fred L., b. July 7, 1862.

GOLDSMITH, John L., s. of Charles S. and Martha (Simonds), b. in New Haven, Ct., was a printer by trade. Settled in Buck. where he m. Nov. 30, 1893, Lucy R., dau. of Robert and Mary E. (Wallis) Smith. Children:

- i Gretchen Isabella, b. Feb. 10, 1894.
- ii Wallis Merrick, b. Nov. 28, 1895.

GOODELL, Helen Mary, b. Mar. 11, 1840 in Readsboro, Vt., dau. of Anson and Lucy, d. in Buck., Oct. 20, 1873, ae. 33 yrs.

GOODELL, Hiram Anson, s. of Anson, b. Oct. 26, 1805, d. May 9, 1892 and Lucy, b. Jan. 26, 1808, d. June 13, 1899; b. May 6, 1831, in Readsboro, Vt.; d. in Buck., Feb. 17, 1877, ae. 45 yrs.

GOODELL, Mattie M., m. Emerson J. Hicks, of Munroe, June 12, 1867.

GOODELL, Minnie L., m. Clarke S. Cary of Colrain, Apr. 10, 1867.

GOODNOW, Eber H.<sup>4</sup> (Eber<sup>3</sup>, Abner<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup> of Rowe), d. Oct. 15, 1898, ae. 63 yrs.; m. Nov. 17, 1861, Ellen Whitney of Ashfield. She was b. Feb. 12, 1832; d. Dec. 22, 1909, ae. 77. Children:

- i Millie N., b. Conway, Mar. 24, 1864; d. May 26, 1897, ae. 33 yrs., unm.
- ii Herbert S., b. Sept. 1, 1869; m. Oct. 27, 1904, Lillian, dau. of Charles and Harriet (Scott) Wheeler of Buck., b. Halifax, Vt. Oct. 28, 1873. Has: 1. Roger Francis, b. Dec. 31, 1913.

1 GOODNOW, Alvin (Thomas of Shelburne, Abner of Shrewsbury), b. in Shelburne, May 2, 1833; d. in Buckland, Dec. 17, 1919; m. Alcmena P., dau. of Adna and Rebecca (Shippee) Bass of Colrain. She d. Aug. 18, 1923, ae. 88 yrs. Children:

- 2 i Walter A., b. in East Buck.
- ii Lula J., b. Dec. 15, 1872; m. Dec. 29, 1894, George H. Harris of Shelburne; d. Apr. 18, 1912.

2 Walter A., s. of Alvin(1), b. in East Buck.; d. Apr. 5, 1931, ae. 67 yrs. He m. Mar. 28, 1883, Eva A., dau. of Orlando C. and Ophelia Sweet. She d. Oct. 4, 1928, ae. 66 yrs. He carried on a farm in East Buck. for over forty years. Children:

- 3 i Leon Franklin, b. June 24, 1888.
- ii Louis E., b. Feb. 16, 1891. Res. Hartford, Ct.
- iii Lizzie Esther, b. Sept. 11, 1892; m. Dec. 25, 1919, Rufus A. Pratt. Res. Buckland.
- iv Merle Walter, b. Feb. 26, 1902. Res. East Buck.

3 Leon Franklin, s. of Walter(2), b. East Buck., June 24, 1888; m. June 12, 1909, Rhoda C., dau. of Luther and Lula (Taylor) Purrington of Buckland. Res. East Buck. Has:

- i Harold Edward, b. Sept. 16, 1911.



GOODNOW, Mrs. Lizzie M., dau. of Peter and Mary Haller, a teacher, d. Mar. 26, 1877, ae. 22 yrs.

GOODNOW, Russell E., s. of Russell and Candace (Cross), b. Rowe; d. in Buckland, July 11, 1905, ae. 72 yrs. He m. Elizabeth Fuller. Had:

- i Mary E., b. Charlemont; m. Charles Stoheker of Buck. and d. Apr. 2, 1928, ae. 69.
- ii Olive A., m. ——— Merkel; res. Somerville.
- iii Henrietta A., m. ——— Jackman, res. Hartford.
- iv John T., res. Whitingham, Vt.

GOULD, Daniel, m. in Ashfield, Mar. 24, 1860, Maria Sprague of Hawley.

GOULD, Gardner L., b. Feb. 26, 1906 in Holyoke; m. Dec. 28, 1928, Catherine M., dau. of Charles A. and Eliza (Taylor) Wilder. She was b. Feb. 5, 1909. Children:

- i Albert E., b. June 13, 1930.
- ii Kathleen, b. Jan. 24, 1933.

GOULD, Isaac C., m. Betsey ———. Their youngest child, Fayette, d. Mar. 12, 1848, ae. 1 yr., 7 mos.

1 GRAGG, Jacob, formerly of Colrain, m. Cynthia Graves of Greenfield; he d. Jan. 3, 1861, ae. 68. Had:

- 2 i Jarib G., b. Colrain, sett. in Buck.; m. Sarah R., dau. of Albert and Sarah (Cross) Pelton of Buckland. Wife d. Apr. 10, 1909, ae. 74.

2 Jarib G., s. Jacob(1), b. Colrain; sett. Buck.; d. Dec. 1, 1898, ae. 69 yrs. He m. Sarah R., dau. Albert and Sarah (Cross) Pelton; she d. Apr. 10, 1909, ae. 74 yrs. Children:

- i Julia B., b. abt. 1859; m. June 19, 1883, George A. Briggs.
- ii Emma L., m. ——— Wilson; res. Chicago, Ill.
- iii Sarah Elizabeth, m. Joseph Barney; res. Greenfield.
- iv Edith A., b. June 11, 1873; d. June 24, 1910, unm.

1 GRAHAM, Bruce, s. of William and Catherine, b. in Scotland; m. (1) Dec. 3, 1857, Lovina, dau. of Abijah P. Thayer of Buck. She was b. Jan. 2, 1836; d. Dec. 15, 1870 at Battle Creek, Mich.

He m. (2) Aug. 31, 1885, Catherine V., dau. of Philander and Hannah Prior who was b. at Underhill, Vt. Children:

- i Eva A., m. Emerson J. Griswold (as his second wife),  
Sept. 26, 1900.
- 2 ii Horace B., b. at Berlin, Ct.
- iii Sadie.
- iv Gertrude.
- v Ernest.
- vi Linden M., b. Oct. 20, 1886; d. Apr. 15, 1901.

2 Horace B., s. of Bruce(1), b. Berlin, Ct., was a member of the school committee in Buckland, an engraver by occupation. He d. Mar. 12, 1887, ae. 27 yrs.; m. Mar. 6, 1886, Emma L., dau. of Horace and Mary Taylor of Buck. She m. (2) Nov. 15, 1892, George N. Smith, Jr.; res. Shelburne. Had:

- i Leon William, b. Jan. 21, 1887.

1 GRAHAM, Zenas, s. of Samuel and Bethulia Graves of Sunderland, b. Sept. 3, 1771; d. Apr. 16, 1848; a tanner and shoe-maker. He m. Feb. 21, 1797, Abigail, dau. of Lemuel Taylor. She d. Mar. 21, 1857, ae. 79 yrs. Children:

- i Zenas, b. Aug. 4, 1798; d. Apr. 17, 1799.
- ii Abigail, b. Feb. 10, 1800; m. Oct. 22, 1840, Ira Barnard of Shelburne.
- iii Emily, b. Feb. 15, 1802; d. Apr. 27, 1803.
- iv Zenas, b. Feb. 11, 1804; d. Nov. 10, 1807.
- 2 v Lucius, b. July 17, 1806.
- vi Laura, b. July 24, 1808; m. Aug. 28, 1839, Samuel Perkins.
- vii Franklin, b. Mar. 19, 1810; m. Apr. 8, 1847, Lucy Ann Couch; d. at Byron, Mich.
- viii Emily, b. Feb. 21, 1812; d. Mar. 31, 1814.
- ix Mary, b. Nov. 23, 1813; m. July 20, 1848, George Bull, who d. at Canandaigua, N. Y., ab. 1860, after which she ret. to Buckland where she d. May 20, 1886.
- x Lucinda, b. Feb. 29, 1816; m. Oct. 7, 1835, Cyrus Rugg of Heath.
- xi Edwin, b. June 18, 1818; d. Jan. 18, 1819.

- xii Angeline, b. July 2 or 8, 1820; m. Feb. 2, 1841, Dr. William E. Coney; (2) May 28, 1851, Freeman Sears of Goshen.

2 Lucius, s. of Zenas(1), b. July 17, 1806; m. May 14, 1828, Mary Bullard; m. (2) Sept. 16, 1851, Orinda S. Arnold. Lucius Graham was town clerk in 1841; d. in Wisconsin in 1874. Had:

- i George H., b. Jan. 5, 1832; enlisted in Co. I, 13th regt., Veterans Reserves and d. at Gallup's Island, Boston, Dec. 8, 1864. He m. Angelia Wilson, dau. of David White Taylor; she was b. May 10, 1838; m. (2) Jeremiah Stockwell of Buckland, Mar. 23, 1886 and d. Nov. 18, 1923.

GRANT, Betsey, m. Sept. 17, 1798, Benjamin Knowlton of Rowe.

GRANT, Darius, m. Nov. 29, 1798, Eunice Ellis, both of Buckland.

GRANT, Eunice, was pub. with Abiel Paine of Hamilton, N. Y., Feb. 15, 1806.

GRANT, George, b. in England, a cutler; m. Mary, dau. of William and Charlotte Baker, also b. in England, Aug. 6, 1840. Had:

- i Cora Alice, b. at Buck., June 20, and d. June 22, 1876.  
ii Sidney, dead.  
iii Horace, d. Unionville, Ct.

GRANT, John, was a voter here in 1806.

GRANT, Joseph B., b. in England, s. of Benjamin; d. Sept. 22, 1911, ae. 75 yrs.; m. Elizabeth, dau. of Edward Dunn, b. in England and d. in Buck., June 13, 1911, ae. 71 yrs. Had:

- i Kate, m. William Spencer; res. Northampton.

GRAVES, George L., b. Aug. 23, 1837; d. June 4, 1899; m. Abby M. ——. She was b. Oct. 16, 1841; d. Oct. 9, 1911. Child:

- i Celia T., d. Aug. 30, 1868, ae. 8 mos.

GRAY, Eli, also given Elias, was here in 1822, living on the farm next north of the old William Putnam home. He d. Apr. 8, 1853, ae. 71 yrs.; m. Elizabeth C., dau. of Thomas and Betsey



(Pulsifer) Conkey of Pelham. She was b. 1784; d. Feb. 14, 1875. Children:

- i Elizabeth, b. 1807; d. Dec. 6, 1867, unm.
- ii Nancy, b. 1809; m. John W. Davis of Hubbardston, Oct. 22, 1844.
- iii Electa C., b. July 7, 1812 or 1816; m. John Rowe Smith of Sunderland, Aug. 19, 1840.
- iv Jane L., b. ab. 1821; m. Aug. 19, 1840, Ralph E. Smith; d. May 17, 1853, ae. 32 yrs.

GRAZION, Michel, was a voter in 1900.

GREAVES, John G., Dr., s. of William (b. in India) and Julia H. Nash (b. in England), was b. in England in 1862; d. in Buckland, Nov. 7, 1919. For many years Dr. Greaves was a practicing physician in Buck., maintaining also for a few years, an office at Shelburne Falls. He m. July 29, 1904, Mabel, dau. of Lyman and Annie Bradford, of Buck. She was b. in Conway and d. May 15, 1918, ae. 44 yrs. They had:

- i Hazel I., who became a nurse. She m. Frank Pray of Greenfield.

GREEN, Truman, d. Aug. 4, 1880, ae. 84 yrs. He m. Huldah ——. Had:

- i Henry J., was a member of Co. I, 37th regt., M.V.M.; d. Jan. 4, 1882, ae. 58 yrs. He m. Esther A., dau. of John C. and Polly Ward.

1 GRISWOLD, Elias<sup>4</sup>, Dea. (Lt. Ebenezer<sup>3</sup>, Jacob<sup>2</sup>, Michael<sup>1</sup>), b. in Wethersfield or Litchfield, Ct., Oct. 6, 1750; m. Dec. 8, 1773, Rhoda Flower of Litchfield, Ct. She was b. Aug. 1, 1756. This family sett. in Buckland about 1784. Both Mr. and Mrs. Griswold, d. at Delhi, N. Y., each aged 75 years. Children (most of whom are said to have settled in New York state):

- i Elias, Jr., b. in Wethersfield, Ct., June 4, 1775, became a minister.
- 2 ii Joseph, b. Litchfield, Ct., May 23, 1777.
- iii Whiting, b. Litchfield, Ct. in 1781, became a minister.
- iv Simeon, b. either in Litchfield, Ct., or Buck., 1783; became a minister.

- v Horace, b. Buck., 1785, was a physician; res. in Bing-hampton, N. Y.
- vi Rhoda, b. 1788; m. her cousin, Capt. Chester Griswold.
- vii Sally, b. 1791; m. Simeon Montfore.
- viii Polly.

Two more children, d. in infancy, both thought to have been boys.

2 Major Joseph, s. of Elias(1), b. May 23, 1777, in Litchfield, Ct., whence he came with his parents to Buck. He was a carpenter by trade, and by his account book furnished many of the coffins used in town, the price for which varied from seventy-five cents to three dollars according to size. He held many town offices including that of selectman; d. Aug. 12, 1843, while a member of the Massachusetts Senate. His military title may have been received from connection with the state militia. He m. Jan. 8, 1800, Lovice, dau. of Dea. Joseph (or Josiah) and Parnee (Brooks) White of Charlemont. She was b. Sept. 17, 1778; d. July 30, 1858. Children:

- i Myra, b. July 18, 1801; m. May 24, 1820, Ellis Pratt of Ashfield. She d. Dec. 7, 1834.
- 3 ii Newton, b. July 4, 1803.
- iii Lovice, b. Apr. 13, 1805; d. June 7, 1809.
- iv Joseph, b. Aug. 9, 1806; m. Nov. 23, 1828, Louisa W. Dennison of Stonington, Ct.; rem. to Colrain and was the founder of the Griswoldville Manufacturing Co.
- v Fidelia, b. Sept. 11, 1807; m. May 26, 1836, Gardner Wilder; d. Mar. 29, 1847.
- vi Roxana, b. Dec. 17, 1808; d. Dec. 23, 1890, unm.
- 4 vii Lorenzo, twin, b. May 24, 1810.
- viii Lovice, twin, b. May 24, 1810; m. Nov. 15, 1832, Rodolphus White of Heath.
- ix Wayne, b. Jan. 30, 1812; became a physician; m. Aug. 20, 1837, Mary Ballard of Heath.
- x Lomina, b. July 31, 1813; m. Aug. 10, 1841, Dr. Isaac L. Tobey of West Cummington. Children: 1. Edwin. 2. Sybil.
- xi Whiting, b. Nov. 12, 1814; m. Jane Martindale.

- xii Harriet, b. Apr. 2, 1816; m. William Davis of Colrain, Aug. 8, 1844.
  - xiii Lucinda H., b. Mar. 30, 1818; m. Loring Coleman of Ashfield, July 31, 1845.
  - 5 xiv Josiah Worcester, b. Jan. 31, 1823.
- 3 Newton, s. of Major Joseph(2), b. July 4, 1803; d. Aug. 14, 1876, a carpenter by trade; m. Nov. 22, 1837, Mrs. Parnee C. Griswold, widow of his brother Lorenzo. She was b. Mar. 25, 1815; d. Dec. 20, 1868. Children:
- i Lorenzo, b. Nov. 10, 1839; m. (1) Nov. 29, 1861, Adeline Farley, who d. Aug. 4, 1878; m. (2) May 20, 1885, Justina Falcon.
  - ii Newton, b. Dec. 8, 1841; was twice m.; res. Chicago, Ill.
  - iii Ashton, b. June 2, 1844; d. Nov. 15, 1904.
  - iv Daphne, b. Aug. 15, 1846; d. June 14, 1849.
  - v Joseph, b. May 23, 1850; m.; res. Chicago, Ill.
  - vi Mary, b. May 9, 1856; res. Chicago, Ill.
- 4 Lorenzo, s. of Major Joseph(2), b. May 24, 1810; m. Sept. 4, 1833, Parnee, dau. of John Carter of Buckland. She was b. Mar. 25, 1815. Lorenzo Griswold, d. Jan. 7, 1835 and she m. (2) Nov. 22, 1837, her brother-in-law, Newton Griswold. She d. Dec. 20, 1868. Child:
- i Lorenzo, b. Sept. 20, 1834; d. Sept. 29, 1834.
- 5 Josiah W., s. of Major Joseph(2), b. Jan. 31, 1823; d. July 10, 1903 in the same home in which he was born and had always lived. He was a man of civic spirit who in the varied capacities of selectman, town clerk, town treasurer, school committee and representative to the Legislature contributed freely to the advancement of the town's interests. Was a member of the Constitutional convention in 1853. He m. (1) Jan. 1, 1846, Ann Eliza, dau. of Edwin Asa and Elizabeth H. (Pelton) Davis. She d. July 22, 1859, ae. 30; m. (2) Oct. 19, 1872, Eliza, dau. of Abner and Harriet (Childs) Townsley of Springfield. She was b. in Sangersfield, N. Y., 1842 and d. Jan. 3, 1923. Children:
- i Martha A., b. May 11, 1847; d. May 23, 1872.
  - ii Anna R., also given Rosanna, b. Feb. 6, 1849; m. Nov. 30, 1869, Albert Caswell; d. Aug. 9, 1875.



- 6   iii Emerson J., b. June 9, 1851.
- iv Marietta, b. Sept. 29, 1853; m. (1) Oct. 10, 1876,  
       Albert Caswell, her brother-in-law; m. (2) Wallace  
       Nutting. Res. Framingham.
- v Josephine, b. Aug. 6, 1881; d. May 18, 1925, unm.
- 6 Emerson J., s. of Josiah W.(5), b. Buck., June 9, 1851; select-  
man and held other positions of trust; d. Aug. 16, 1924. He m.  
(1), Nov. 19, 1873, Jennie C., dau. of Edmund Dwight and  
Lucy Perkins, who d. Apr. 3, 1898, ae. 46; m. (2) Sept. 26, 1900,  
Eva A., dau. of Bruce and Lavina (Thayer) Graham, who d.  
Dec. 6, 1913, ae. 52; m. (3), Mar. 11, 1915, Mrs. Annie H.  
Powell, dau. of Timothy Parker. Children:
  - 7   i Gilbert E., b. Jan. 1, 1875.
  - 8   ii Eugene D., b. Nov. 28, 1876.
  - iii Annie Lucy, b. Sept. 18, 1884; m. Sept. 14, 1912,  
       Gilbert W. Bouker of Greenfield.
  - iv Doris Mariette, b. Nov. 4, 1915.
  - v Lewis Gordon, b. July 15, 1917.
  - vi Ruth M., b. July 28, 1918.
  - vii Alta Luella, twin, b. June 24, 1920.
  - viii Amy Rosaline, twin, b. June 24, 1920.
- 7 Gilbert E., s. of Emerson J.(6), b. Jan. 1, 1875. Selectman for  
1931. He m. June 2, 1908, Mary E., dau. of Frank D. Robinson  
of Goshen, and widow of Edward C. Bradford. Children:
  - i Jennie, b. Mar. 10, 1910.
  - ii Roberta E., b. Mar. 13, 1915.
- 8 Eugene D., s. of Emerson J.(6), b. Nov. 28, 1876; m. June 25,  
1898, Flora, dau. of Gilbert and Ella (White) Tower who was  
b. in Savoy. Children:
  - i Harold Deane, b. Apr. 9, 1899; m. Evelyn, dau. of  
   Samuel Oates; res. Griswoldville.
  - ii Earl Alfred, b. Aug. 19, 1900.
  - iii Hugh Tower, b. Feb. 7, 1904.
- GUGANY, John, Sr., and John, Jr. were voters in 1900.
- GUILD, Charles L., Rev., b. Apr. 10, 1834; d. Jan. 2, 1899.  
He m. Elizabeth Cutter, b. Oct. 9, 1834; d. Aug. 2, 1901. Children:
  - i Lora Elsie, b. May 11, 1865; d. June 23, 1895.

- ii Elwin LeRoy, b. July 24, 1872; d. Mar. 9, 1874. Per. others.

HAIGIS, Emma, ae. 23 yrs., dau. of George and Anna (Gootz), b. in Germany; m. Jan. 17, 1900, John Henry Stroheker of Buckland.

HAIGIS, Freda K., dau. of George, b. in Germany; m. Aug. 9, 1896, Burnie L. Sampson of Halifax, Vt.

HAIGIS, Jacob, m. Mary, dau. of Jacob and Mary Thieringer, b. in Germany. She d. Feb. 18, 1885, ae. 74 yrs. Children:

- i Jacob J., b. about 1833; m. May 11, 1895, Ursula L. Krees, she then being 49 yrs. old.

HAIGIS, Jacob J., perhaps Jacob J. given above, b. in Germany, was living in Buckland in 1900; d. Dec. 31, 1904, ae. 73 yrs. His wife Elizabeth was also b. in Germany, probably that Elizabeth who d. Jan. 25, 1895, ae. 62 yrs. Children:

- i Jacob A., b. in Greenfield, 1852; m. Oct. 20, 1872, Alice, dau. of David and Mary A. Glasgow.
- ii Charles J., d. Aug. 24, 1878, ae. 15 yrs.

HAIGIS, Edward C., perhaps s. of Jacob J. and Elizabeth above, b. in Buck.; m. Oct. 26, 1889, Winifred, dau. of Mrs. Mary A. Russell, who was b. in Pittsfield. Children:

- i Mary Elizabeth, b. Feb. 25, 1890; m. Oct. 18, 1913, Thomas M. Monahan of Bristol, Ct.
- ii Alice A., b. Dec. 12, 1908.

HAIGIS, Jacob, b. Germany; m. Matilda, dau. of John and Masie Haller. She d. Mar. 21, 1924, ae. 84 yrs. Children:

- i Jacob, b. June 29, 1875; m. Apr. 5, 1899, Matilda, dau. of Martin and Christine Weissman.
- ii John L., m. June 24, 1903, Elizabeth, dau. of George and Elizabeth (Spencer) Burley, b. in England. He was living in Buck. in 1900.
- iii Son, b. Mar. 3, 1870.
- iv Matilda C., b. abt. 1871; m. Nov. 1, 1908, Emmet F. Haskins (second wife), deputy sheriff of Charlemont.

HAIGIS, Louis, b. in Germany, a butcher by occupation; m. Emma, dau. Thomas and Elizabeth Calvert, b. in England. Children:

- i Louis T., b. 1865; m. Oct. 11, 1891, Alta R., dau. of John D. and Eliza Avery of Buckland.
- ii Daughter, b. Jan. 21, 1872.
- iii George, b. Mar. 15, 1874.
- iv Grace, b. Oct. 10, 1879.

HALE, Edward S., s. of Edward and Sarah (Taylor), d. July 17, 1893, ae. 74.

HALE, Elwin C., s. of John R. and Achsah (Bronson), b. Sept. 19, 1849 at Ashfield; d. Sept. 5, 1925; sett. Buck. in 1871. He m. May 25, 1870, Esther M., dau. of Abram and Esther Shippee, who res. on William St. Children:

- i Arthur J., b. Apr. 17, 1871; res. Conway.
- ii Florence Estella, b. Oct. 27, 1873; d. Feb. 26, 1912, unm.
- 2 iii Almon B., b. Jan. 12, 1882.

2 Almon, s. of Elwin C.(1), b. Jan. 12, 1882; has served the town as selectman; res. William St. He m. Oct. 10, 1906, Martha L., dau. of Lucas and Eva (Johnson) March. Child:

- i Lucy E., b. Mar. 7, 1908; supervisor of music at Delmar, N. Y.

HALE, Flora L., dau. of Royal and Emily Chapman, b. at Damariscotta, Me.; d. June 26, 1923, ae. 71 yrs.

HALL, Charles, had a son, b. May 10, 1872.

HALL, Edward C., was resident here in 1900.

HALL, Elizabeth, widow of William, and dau. of Patrick and Mary (Tobin) Toomey, b. Ireland; d. July 20, 1928, ae. 68 yrs.

HALL, Frederick, b. England; m. Alice Crampton, also a native of England. Had:

- i Perley, b. Dec. 3, 1902; d. Dec. 16, 1902.

HALL, John W., s. of Jonathan and Mary Ann (Elliott), b. Sheffield, Eng., July 15, 1861, came to Buckland from Meriden, Ct., m. 1884, Elizabeth, dau. of George Marshall. Had:

- i Florence E., b. June 30, 1885; m. Apr. 2, 1907, William J. Hume.

HALL, Jonathan, s. of Jonathan and Mary Ann (Elliott), and brother of John W., above, b. Apr. 2, 1851 in Sheffield, Eng.,



came to Buckland about 1883; m. Apr. 17, 1873, Hannah, dau. of Mrs. Elizabeth Louckes of Sheffield, Eng. Res. Franklin St. Had:

- i John William, b. 1873; d. 1888.

HALL, Nathaniel, was a voter here in 1822; d. Feb. 23, 1832, ae. 48 yrs.

HALL, William, d. Sept. 21, 1851, ae. 69 yrs.

HALLAM, Frederick S., s. of John and Sarah (Howard), b. in Sheffield, England, 1845; d. Mar. 11, 1926; a cutler by trade. His wife Eliza, dau. of Samuel and Sarah (Howson) Marsden, b. also in Sheffield in 1850; d. June 16, 1914. Children:

- i Sarah Elizabeth, b. in Lockport, N. Y., 1868; d. Nov. 2, 1922; unm.
- ii Eliza, b. May 3, 1870; m. Dec. 31, 1890, Joseph W. Turton.
- iii Samuel, b. June 4, 1872; m. Apr. 6, 1898, Eliza, dau. of Allen and Ida (Coombs) Kenyon. Res. State St., no children.
- iv Sylvia Ann, b. July 6, 1877; d. Nov. 11, 1916; m. Oct. 12, 1898, Randolph A. Jones of Shelburne. Res. Shelburne Falls.
- v Lillian Ruth, b. Sept. 6, 1881; m. May 23, 1900, Edward A. Wissman. Res. South St.
- vi Cora May, b. June 23, 1884; m. Dec. 31, 1906, Phillip R. Eldridge.

HALLER, John, Sr., s. of Martin and Maria, b. in Germany; d. Mar. 10, 1904, ae. 59 yrs.; m. Margaret, also given Anna, Luippold. Children: order unknown.

- i Mary, m. Bilger, res. Meriden, Ct.
- ii Anna Grace, m. Sept. 17, 1923, Louis B. Quick.
- iii Paul P., b. Shelburne; d. May 8, 1927, ae. 40 yrs., unm.
- iv Wayne M., b. Jan. 31, 1894.
- v Stanley, b. May 28, 1898.
- vi Elsie Margaret, b. Oct. 20, 1899.
- vii Leona B., b. Sept. 5, 1901; m. Apr. 25, 1925, Ronald E. Weissman.
- viii John L.

- ix Edward L., b. at Shelburne; d. May 11, 1903, ae. 25 yrs. One of the above sons was b. Dec. 11, 1870.

HALLER, Peter, s. of Martin and Maria, b. in Germany; d. Dec. 11, 1921, ae. 73 yrs.; m. Anna Mary, dau. of Gottlieb and Christina Stingle. She was b. in Germany; d. Jan. 31, 1918, ae. 67 yrs. Children:

- i Lizzie M., m. — Goodnow; d. Mar. 26, 1877, ae. 22 yrs.
- ii Daughter, prob. Tillie B., b. Apr. 17, 1872; m. Jones; res. West Haven, Ct.
- iii Adolph J., b. Aug. 23, 1873; res. Plainfield, N. J.
- iv Willie P., b. Jan. 14, 1875; d. Dec. 10, 1893.
- v Albert, b. Feb. 8, 1876; d. Sept. 30, 1876.
- vi Wilhelmina, b. Dec. 26, 1878; m. Napoleon L. Regner; d. Sept. 19, 1910.
- vii Son, probably Elliot E., b. Nov. 21, 1882; res. Buckland.
- viii Bertha, b. Dec. 14, 1884.
- ix Ruth Elsie, b. 1885; d. Apr. 27, 1887.

1 HALLIGAN, James Sherlock, s. of Joseph and Mary, b. either Ireland or England; d. Jan. 2, 1884, ae. 73 yrs.; m. Hannah, dau. of James and Hannah Austin. She was b. in England; d. in Buckland, Oct. 18, 1882, ae. 75 yrs. Children, order unknown:

- i Hannah, b. in England; m. Apr. 5, 1860, John Rowland of Buckland; d. Aug. 19, 1916, ae. 74 yrs.
  - ii John Austin, b. (1844?); Civil War veteran; res. Shelburne.
  - iii James, b. (1840?), Civil War veteran; res. Shelburne.
  - iv William, b. (1830?), Civil War Veteran.
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- v Joseph, b. England.
  - vi Maria H., m. Tanner; res. Heath.
  - vii Sarah A., b. in Leeds, Mass.; d. June 25, 1920, ae. 74 yrs.

2 Joseph, b. in England, s. of James S.(1); d. 25 Oct., 1890; m. (1) Ellen, dau. of James and Hannah Tordoff; she d. Aug. 12, 1883, ae. 42 yrs.; m. (2) Sarah Tordoff, sister of his first wife; she d. Mar. 22, 1932. Children:

- i George W., d. Apr. 23, 1931 in Shelburne.
- ii Ernest J.

- iii Francis Earl, b. Buckland, Jan. 8, 1890; d. June 14, 1892.

HALLIGAN, b. Sept. 7, 1867, a son to Joseph.

HAM, Thomas and Lucy of Canada. Children:

- i George A., b. in Canada, in 1854; m. Aug. 23, 1888, Agnes E., dau. of Roman F., and Elizabeth Keach of Washington, D. C., she was b. 1853; d. 1925; lived in Buckland in 1900, but later rem. to South Acton; a farmer. Children: 1. Barbara Elizabeth, b. July 15, 1892. 2. Benjamin, b. 1895; d. 1900.
- ii Helen E., b. in Canada abt. 1862; m. Dec. 4, 1884 in Buckland, George F. Fletcher, a native of Canada.

HAMILTON, John D., m. Abigail W. ——. Had:

- i Son, d. Sept. 25, 1852, ae. 7 weeks.

HAMILTON, John, was living here in 1900.

HANNIFEN, Edward, m. Bridget. Had:

- i Hannah, d. Mar. 25, 1885.

HANNIFEN, Thomas, was a metal polisher, b. in Buck., perhaps a s. of Edward and Bridget. He m. Annie Hall. Children:

- i Daughter, b. Jan. 5, 1898.
- ii Son, b. Dec. 30, 1901.
- iii Thomas, b. Apr. 10, 1903.
- iv Joseph, b. Mar. 3, 1908.

HANNUM, Henry and Submit, joined the second Baptist church in 1829; dismissed therefrom in 1830.

HARMON, Levi, d. in Boston, Feb. 13, 1872, ae. 62 yrs., a resident of Buckland. He m. Laura Brackett. Children:

- i Harriet S., b. Oct. 22, 1833; res. Buck.; m. Nov. 17, 1852, Joshua T. Davis.
- ii Ellen J., b. Apr. 4, 1837; m. Jesse M. Ward of Buckland.
- iii Rhoda A., b. Mar. 13, 1839.
- iv Charles A., b. June 19, 1841.
- v Fidelia M., b. June 24, 1844; m. Leonard Morse of Royalston.
- vi Lewis E., b. June 9, 1849; m. Mrs. Flora G. Crowell.



HARRIS, Enoch W., d. Jan. 28, 1883, ae. 92 yrs., 10 m., 9 d.

HARRIS, Elisha F., s. of Enoch and Fannie, b. Heath; d. Apr. 1, 1888, ae. 63 yrs.; m. (1) Julia M. —; d. prior to Oct. 1878; m. (2) Sarah A. —. Children:

- i Ella M., b. Feb. 10, 1859.
- ii Julia A., b. Oct. 6, 1868.

HARRIS, George H., s. of Emerson and Elizabeth (Temple), b. in Heath; m. Dec. 29, 1894, Lula J., dau. of Alvin and Alcemena (Bass) Goodnow. She d. Apr. 18, 1912, ae. 38 yrs. He was a farmer living in town in 1900; removed to North Adams. Children:

- i Alvin E., b. Feb. 26, 1897; d. Aug. 4, 1918.
- ii Lloyd T., b. Sept. 16, 1905; res. North Adams.

HARRIS, Julius J., s. of Charles of Brattleboro, Vt., was here in 1900; m. Elizabeth, dau. of Henry and Mary Sommer, June 15, 1897; res. North St., no children.

HARRIS, Maria, was dismissed from the second Baptist church to the church in Wilmington, Vt., in 1843.

HARRIS, Mrs. Sarah, m. Apr. 4, 1807 Jonathan Sprague, both of Buckland.

HARRIS, William R., s. of David and Polly, b. Buckland; d. Oct. 6, 1871; m. Nov. 11, 1867, Mary, dau. of Charles Reniff. Children:

- i Charles R., b. Aug. 14, 1868.
- ii Mary Bessie, b. Aug. 28, 1869; m. Fred W. Perkins of Shelburne Falls.

HART, Thomas, s. of Thomas and Honora, b. in Ireland; d. Apr. 1, 1890, ae. 75 yrs.; m. Ellen, dau. of James Tobin. She was b. in Ireland; d. Jan. 15, 1891, ae. 64 yrs. Children:

- i Michael, b. Ireland; d. Nov. 13, 1912, ae. abt. 66 yrs., left no family.
- ii James, b. Holyoke; d. Nov. 1, 1919, ae. 66 yrs., unm.

HARTWELL, Betsey Ann, joined the second Baptist church in 1830, dismissed in 1835.

HARTWELL, Charles H., b. in Buck.; m. Elizabeth Wardwell and had:

- i Ida May, who d. June 30, 1876, ae. 20 yrs.

HARTWELL, Edmund, b. at Charlemont; m. Julia S., dau. of Barnet W., and Prudence (Wilder) Dole of Buck. They had at Buckland:

- i Hannah, who m. Aug. 20, 1875, David Hawks and d. Jan. 3, 1890, ae. 56.

HARTWELL, Harriet, m. in 1855, Charles Wilder.

HARTWELL, Lucius, b. Oct. 26, 1803; joined the second Baptist church in 1828; d. Apr. 16 or 17, 1836; m. Abigail, dau. of Jesse Pratt. She was b. Oct. 1, 1804; d. Feb. 9, 1903. Children:

- i Charles C.
- ii Edwin.
- iii Mary A., d. Oct. 12, 1849, ae. 22 yrs.

1 HARTWELL, William E., m. Jan. 31, 1862, Mahala A., dau. of Francis Mantor. She d. Jan. 10, 1911, ae. 70 yrs. Sett. in Buck. Children:

- 2 i Fred L., b. July 13, 1866 or 7.
- ii Rose M., b. May 5, 1871; m. — Noble; res. Westfield.
- iii Kate C., b. Jan. 20, 1874; m. Jan. 1, 1894, Albert E. Kenney of Buck.; res. Westfield.

2 Fred L., s. of William E.(1), b. July 13, 1866 or 7; res. Buck.; d. Mar. 4, 1918; m. Nov. 2, 1889, Lillian B., dau. of Edward Kenney who was b. Mar. 23, 1871. She lives in Buckland. Children:

- i Earl D., b. Mar. 4, 1892; was in military service in Washington, D. C. at the time of the World War; m. May 30, 1920, Dorothy, dau. of Morris Mitchell; res. Buck.
- ii Max Merritt, b. Sept. 15, 1894.
- iii Harold Edward, m. Aug. 3, 1921, Edith Augusta, dau. of William Richardson of Springfield.
- iv Marjorie B., b. Feb. 6, 1900.
- v Robert Mantor, b. Dec. 1, 1902; m. Sept. 23, 1931, Lena L. LaBelle.
- vi Kenneth William, b. Oct. 5, 1911.

HARVEY, Jonathan, was here in 1790, with a family of four females. He was in Buckland as late as 1806, when his name appears on the voter's list.

HARVEY, Polly, was pub. with Royal Kimball of Cheshire, Jan. 27, 1808.

HATHAWAY, Herman Ellsworth, b. at Savoy; d. at Buck., Jan. 4, 1932; m. Martha Raymond, at Savoy, Oct. 9, 1881. Children:

- i Bert R., now of Ashfield.
- ii Martha I., m. Jan. 21, 1915, Julius Cranson of Buckland.
- iii Ellsworth H., lives Buckland.
- iv Almon E., b. in or about 1886; now of East Gardner.

HATHAWAY, Josiah, perhaps s. of Nehemiah, was here in 1790, with a family of four males under sixteen, and two females. By deeds, Josiah of Dighton bought land in Buckland, Oct. 5, 1787. He m. Tryphena ——. In 1823, she, then a widow "advanced in age," had four children "who are unable to aid at all in their support and are dependant upon her for a comfortable support." Her son, Ebenezer B. of Charlemont, next of kin, was administrator of his father's estate. She d. Aug. 28, 1840, ae. 78 yrs. Children, probably:

- 2 i Josiah, Jr., b. pr. 1782.
- 3 ii Ebenezer B., b. 1790; d. Dec. 8, 1829; m. Esther Upton, b. May 12, 1791; d. Jan. 30, 1853.
- iii William, pub. with Sela Briggs of Buckland, Mar. 6, 1802.
- iv Samuel, bapt., Aug. 30, 1807.
- v Sarah, b. 1797; m. Nov. 18, 1819, Roswell Rice of Charlemont.
- vi Tryphena, m. Nov. 25, 1813, Elias Upton, Jr. of Charlemont.
- vii Charlotte, b. Apr. 10, 1799; m. Apr. 10, 1839, Joseph Nichols, as his second wife.
- viii Adoniram, bapt. Sept. 6, 1801, signed the request for Ebenezer to be appointed administrator of his father's estate.
- ix Achsah, b. Aug. 17, 1803, signed, with her brother Adoniram, to request the appointment of Ebenezer as administrator. Pub. with Roswell Upton of Charlemont, Nov. 19, 1824.



2 Josiah, Jr., s. of Josiah(1), b. pr. 1782; d. Aug. 20, 1829, ae. 47 yrs.; pub. July 14, 1809, with Martha, dau. of Josiah Johnson. She was b. Mar. 10, 1786; d. Apr. 20, 1834, ae. 48 yrs. Children:

- i David, b. 1807; d. young.
- ii Wealthy, b. 1809; d. young.
- iii Benjamin, b. 1811; d. Sept. 3, 1829.
- iv Leander, b. 1814; d. young.
- v Martha, b. 1818; d. Feb. 17, 1834.
- vi Wealthy H., b. July 15, 1820; m. Joel G. Rice of Conway.
- vii Mary, b. 1822; d. Mar. 15, 1868, unm.
- viii Josiah, b. 1824; d. young.

3 Ebenezer B., s. of Josiah(1), b. 1790; d. Dec. 8, 1829. He m. Esther, dau. of Elias and Esther (Newhall) Upton, b. at Charlemont; lived for a time at Charlemont but moved to Buck. Children:

- i Ebenezer, b. Sept. 25, 1816.
- ii Josiah, b. Oct. 14, 1818; d. Mar. 5, 1819.
- iii Lucretia, b. 1824; d. Mar. 21, 1835.
- iv Electa Phebe, minor under 14 on May 15, 1832.
- v Esther U., d. May 19, 1899, ae. 79 yrs.
- vi Joseph.
- vii Josiah, minor under 14 on May 15, 1832.

HATHAWAY, Nehemiah, a Rev. Sol. lived in Buck.

HATHAWAY, William, Jr., int. with Sarah S. Scott pub. Nov. 1, 1828.

1 HAWKS, Asahel B., Dea., son of Mrs. Sophia B. Hawks; b. in 1812; d. Mar. 29, 1868. He was a former resident of Heath. In Buckland he became actively associated with town affairs, and was especially interested in the welfare of the church; m. Almira P., dau. Reuben Porter. She pr. m. (2) — Leavitt; was b. 1814; d. 1889. Children:

- 2 i Asahel C., b. in Heath, 1844.
- ii Ida Sarah, b. Apr. 22, 1855; m. (1) — Leavitt of Charlemont; m. (2) Francis William Trow, Oct. 2, 1905.

2 Asahel C., s. of Asahel B.(1), b. in Heath, 1844, held the office of selectman; d. Jan. 8, 1924. He m. June 9, 1868, Mary F., dau. of Gardner and Fidelia Wilder. She was b. Aug. 8, 1846; d. Feb. 11, 1930. Children:

- i Infant, b. May 15; d. May 16, 1872.
- 3 ii Louis A., b. Jan. 20, 1873.
- iii William G., b. Sept. 21, 1875; m. Nov. 7, 1899, Flora A., dau. of Henry and Ellen Clark of Hawley; res. Greenfield.
- iv Nellie May, b. Nov. 26, 1877 or 1878; m. Dec. 21, 1909, Charles Lowell Hunt.
- v Edith L., b. Sept. 20, 1882; m. Sept. 1, 1904, Charles W. Trow; res. Buck.

3 Louis A., s. of Asahel C.(2), b. Jan. 20, 1873; d. 1914 or 15; m. Mary Tucks. She was b. Mar. 19, 1873; d. Dec. 22, 1916; res. Northampton and Syracuse, N. Y. Children:

- i Josephine E., b. Aug. 19, 1897.
- ii Gertrude Louise, b. July 19, 1899.
- iii Louis, twin, b. July 5, 1908.
- iv Lois, twin, b. July 5, 1908.

HAWKS, Benjamin, had a daughter who m. Edwin Hubbard.

1 HAWKS, Calvin B., s. of Jared and Elizabeth, was b. in Charlemon, where the greater part of life may have been spent. He d. in Buckland, Jan. 24, 1874, ae. 90 yrs.; bore the title, "Captain." He m. Sept. 28, 1820, Cordelia, dau. Athearn and Desire Butler. She d. Dec. 15, 1842, ae. 39 yrs. Children:

- 2 i Sereno D.

2 Sereno D., s. of Calvin B.(1), b. in Charlemon; d. Jan. 2, 1901, ae. 74 yrs. He m. Elizabeth ——. Children:

- i Lillie C. (or Elizabeth), m. Oct. 4, 1881, Herbert O. Miller; res. Collingsville, Ct.; d. July 7, 1894, ae. 36 yrs.

HAWKS, David, s. of Jonathan and Relief, served as assessor and selectman; d. Dec. 19, 1890, ae. 81 yrs. He m. (1) Electa, dau. of Jonathan and Hannah Hartwell of Charlemon; she d. Apr. 24, 1875, ae. 66 yrs.; m. (2) Aug. 20, 1875, Hannah D.,

dau. of Edmund and Julia Hartwell. She d. Jan. 3, 1890, ae. 56 yrs.

HAWKS, Edmund, m. Mary Ann —, who d. July 23, 1868, ae. 32 yrs. Children:

- i Mary Adeline, b. Jan. 5, 1862 in Heath.
- ii Emma Maria, b. Sept. 24, 1865.
- iii Edmund B., b. Oct. 20, 1867 in Buck.

HAWKS, Elizabeth F., m. Sept. 26, 1842, William Stearns of Williamsburg.

HAWKS, John L., d. Sept. 16, 1863, ae. 34 yrs.; Sergeant in in Co. F., 34th regt.

HAWKS, Phebe, m. May 11, 1842, Austin Nelson of Colrain.

HAWKS, Seth, Jr., b. 1757, was of Deerfield ancestry; pub. Jan. 20, 1781, with Tirza, dau. of James Taylor of Deerfield and Buck. He was here with his family in 1790, later lived at Deerfield, at the "Turnip Yard," going thence in 1817 by ox-sled to Geneva, N. Y., making the trip in six weeks. For his twelve children, see Sheldon's *Hist. of Deerfield*.

HAWKS, Sarepta, bapt. 1830, at second Baptist church.

HAWKS, Wesley, b. 1842; m. June 3, 1866, Abbie F. Hill of Westford.

HAYDEN, William M., m. Caroline E. —; she d. Jan. 2, 1847, ae. 32 yrs. Child:

- i Josephine M., who d. July 13, 1846, ae. 19 mos.

HAYDEN, Mrs. Ellen, m. Dec. 25, 1866, Robert P. Adair, both of Buck.

HAYES, Edward, s. of Edward and Bridget (Purcell), b. in Canada; d. Dec. 16, 1910, ae. abt. 63 yrs., unm.

HAYES, Gilbert B., representative to the General Court in 1863.

1 HAYES, John, Sr., a cutler by occupation, b. in Ireland; m. Margaret Looman. Children:

- i Bridget; m. June 16, 1897, Samuel Leland.
- 2 ii Patrick, b. in Canada.



- iii John J., m. Aug. 16, 1899, Mary A., dau. of Tyler P. and Mary E. Nash.
  - iv Mary, m. Charles Call, Mar. 26, 1894.
  - v Margaret Catherine, b. Apr. 25, 1879, in Buck.
  - 3 vi William H., b. Apr. 9, 1882, in Buck.
  - vii Ellen, d. in Buck., Oct. 28, 1891, ae. 7 yrs.
  - viii Alice Jane, b. Oct. 29, 1886; m. Edward Hill.
- 2 Patrick, s. of John(1), b. in Canada; m. Nov. 12, 1892, Alice L., dau. of Albert L., and Ida (Stewart) Hunt, b. in Royalston in 1874. Res. Buckland. Children:
- i Patrick Leroy, b. Sept. 28, 1893; d. May 15, 1914.
  - ii Alice Ida, b. Feb. 15, 1895; d. Aug. 27, 1895.
  - iii Stewart G., b. Aug. 29, 1897.
- 3 William H., s. of John(1), b. in Buck., Apr. 9, 1882; m. May 24, 1904, Edna L., dau. of Herbert Meehan. She d. Feb. 20, 1930, ae. 44 yrs. Children:
- i Henry, b. Mar. 27, 1905; d. Mar. 29, 1905.
  - ii Paul, b. July 12, 1906.
  - iii Margaret, b. Aug. 19, 1907.
  - iv Ellen, b. May 26, 1909.
  - v Anna B., b. June 20, 1910; m. Dec. 29, 1928, Gerald McCarthy.
  - vi Francis Nichols, b. Dec. 27, 1911; d. Aug. 13, 1912.
  - vii Son, b. Apr. 27, 1914.
  - viii Son, b. Jan. 29, 1916.
  - ix William, b. Mar. 10, 1918.
  - x Katherine Ann, b. Aug. 13, 1919.
- HAYES, Nicholas, was a resident in 1900.
- 1 HEATHCOTE, George, s. of Henry and Maria, b. in England; d. Nov. 30, 1896; m. (1) Ann, dau. of Ephraim and Lydia Fullwood, b. in England and d. Jan. 5, 1881, ae. 31 yrs.; m. (2) Nov. 15, 1881, Ellen, dau. of Robert and Mary Smith and widow of Isaac Booker. She d. Sept. 23, 1927, ae. 71 yrs. Children:
- i Edwin A., b. May 4, 1876; d. Apr. 19, 1906.
  - ii George Merrill, b. Jan. 30, 1879; m. Jan. 25, 1903, Dora, dau. of Henry and Mary (Loomis) Underwood of Colrain.
- 2 iii Oswald.

2 Oswald, s. of George(1), b. in Buck.; m. Dec. 27, 1893, Lottie, dau. of Marcus and Kate (Graves) Purrington of Buckland. He d. Apr. 28, 1897, ae. 26 yrs. She m. (2) Oct. 27, 1898, Henry R. Winterhalder, and d. Dec. 5, 1899. Children:

- i Catherine Fullwood, b. Jan. 19, 1895.
- ii Ralph O., b. Apr. 20, 1897.

HEATHCOTE, Mrs. Maria, d. Apr. 7, 1897, ae. 74 yrs.

HEERY, Patrick, r. r. employee, b. Ireland; m. Abbie McMahon. Children:

- i Julia, b. June 26, 1890; res. State Street.
- ii Daughter, b. Oct. 16, 1892.
- iii Katherine, b. Feb. 19, 1897; d. Mar. 4, 1900.

HERMAN, John M., had a son, b. Jan. 12, 1868.

HERMAN, Martin, s. of John and Agnes, b. Germany; d. June 10, 1874, ae. 31 yrs. Had:

- i Son, b. Oct. 13, 1871.

HERMAN, Oscar, was resident in Buckland in 1900.

HERMAN, Thomas, m. Elizabeth Calvert. Had:

- i Caroline, b. in England; m. (2) May 8, 1875, Simon Koch of Buckland.

1 HERRING, Charles, s. of Samuel and Ann (Hubbard); b. in Sheffield, England; a cutler, d. Oct. 17, 1913; m. Mary Ann Reed, b. in Lincoln, Eng. She d. Mar. 6, 1914, ae. 80 yrs. Children, order uncertain:

- i Charlotte, b. in England; m. in Buck., Dec. 25, 1875, Charles Roesch.
- ii Martha, b. in England; m. in Buck., Aug. or Oct. 7, 1877, Charles B. Allen.
- iii Florence, m. Nov. 27, 1890, Thomas Haly of Shelburne Falls.
- iv Cora S., b. in Greenfield, May 4, 1878; m. Charles Hill, Oct. 10, 1900.
- 2 v Henry, b. in England.
- 3 vi Charles Edward, b. in Sheffield, England.
- vii Catherine, b. in Buck., Jan. 24, 1870; m. Charles Zeiner; res. Greenfield.

4 viii Albert, b. Dec. 23, 1872.

ix Ann E., b. in Buck., Oct. 3, 1875; d. Sept. 18, 1876.

x Herbert, res. Springfield.

2 Henry, s. of Charles(1), b. in England; m. Sept. 1, 1877, Charlotte A., dau. of Charles and Sarah Shaw, of English birth. She d. Aug. 9, 1891. He was a cutlery grinder; d. at Buck., May 18, 1883, ae. 29 yrs. Child:

i George Edward, b. Sept. 30, 1879 at New Britain, Ct.

3 Charles Edward, s. of Charles(1), b. Sheffield, Eng.; d. Mar. 26, 1895; m. Ellen Parsonson, b. also in England. Children:

i Henry, b. Mar. 20, 1889; res. Norwich, Ct.

ii Irene, b. Apr. 14, 1892; m. — Weeks; res. Northampton.

iii Chester Francis, b. July 24, 1894; res. Northampton.

4 Albert, s. of Charles(1), b. Buckland, Dec. 23, 1872; m. Aug. 2 or 12, 1894, Jennie E., dau. of Edward Peters. Children:

i Esther, b. Feb. 10, 1896.

ii Son, b. June 18, 1898; d. June 19, 1898.

iii Charles E.

HERRING, Henry S., s. of Samuel and Ann, b. England; d. July 24, 1891, ae. 60 yrs. He m. Charlotte, dau. of George and Jane Grinold of England. She d. Aug. 9, 1891, ae. 61 yrs.

HILSINGER, Adam, s. of George and Ursal (Haley), d. Oct. 25, 1896, ae. 78 yrs.

HILSINGER, George, s. of John M. and Agnes (Yetter), b. in Germany; d. Sept. 16, 1916, ae. 70 yrs.; m. Kate, dau. of Battie and Anna E. Dieda or Didra (name given both spellings). She d. Jan. 14, 1920, ae. 75 yrs. Children:

i George, d. Sept. 26, 1873, ae. 5 yrs.

ii Son, b. Feb. 15, 1868.

iii Anna, b. Feb. 10, 1872; m. July 19, 1899, John Neher; res. Greenfield.

iv Nellie, b. July 8, 1873; res. Buck.

v Flora, b. Jan. 8, 1877.

vi Minnie, m. Feb. 5, 1896, Nelson J. Redfern; res. Shelburne.

vii Emma, m. — Hall; res. Athol.



HILSINGER, John, of Buckland, had:

- i Daughter, b. Feb. 15, 1870.

HILSINGER, Mary, dau. of Christian and Agnes (Schlinker), d. Aug. 21, 1876, ae. 71 yrs. She was b. in Germany.

1 HINCKLEY, Solomon, was in town in 1806, coming from Barnstable; rem. to Pomfret, N. Y., where he d. He m. Mercy Otis and she d. in Westfield, N. Y. Children:

- 2 i Otis, b. Oct. 30, 1795.
  - ii Allen.
  - iii George, m. Harriet Brooks, Sept. 4, 1816; then of Pomfret, N. Y. She d. in Buck., May 14, 1840, ae. 45.
  - iv Hannah.
  - v Hiram.
  - vi Solomon.
- All the above were bapt. Nov. 28, 1807.
- vii John Goddard, b. Aug. 27, 1809; m., res. Westfield, N. Y.
  - viii Watson, bapt. May 14, 1815.

2 Otis, s. of Solomon(1), b. in Buck., Oct. 30, 1795. From about 1822 to 1829, he lived in Livingston Co., N. Y., then returned to Buckland for three years, after which he lived successively in New York State, Illinois, and d. in California in 1852. He m. Sept. 28, 1817, Sarah, dau. of Samuel Taylor. She d. Jan. 19, 1861 at Waukegan, Ill. The four older children were b. in Buckland. Children:

- i Samuel Taylor, b. June 12, 1818; res. Elgin, Ill.
- ii Infant, b. June 22; d. June 23, 1820.
- iii Mary Otis, b. June 8, 1821; m. — Morse, in another record, m. Philo Root.
- iv Sarah E., b. Dec. 2, 1822; m. J. S. Barker, res. Waukegan, Ill.
- v Otis, b. Aug. 12, 1826 in N. Y. State.
- vi Horace A., b. May 18, 1828.
- vii Harriet W., b. Mar. 9, 1831; res. Chicago, Ill.
- viii Abner Taylor, b. Mar. 1, 1838; res. Hyde Park, Ill.

HINDS, Catherine, m. Nov. 3, 1793, Peter Shippee of Charle-  
mont.

HINDS, Overson, was pub. with Widow Susanna Paine of Ashfield, Nov. 25, 1797.

HINDS, Richard, was living in Buckland in 1790, but the Census of that date records him as being alone.

HITCHCOCK, Zur, s. of Heman and Eleanor (Tolman), was b. in Conway, June 26, 1797; d. Oct. 24, 1887, at the home of his son Edward in Greenfield. Deeply interested in education, he acted as treasurer for Mary Lyon's school. He had a small factory on High Street, at Buckland Center. M. in Charlemont, Sept. 1, 1823, Nancy, dau. of Lebbeus and Sarah Rudd. She d. Dec. 29, 1875. Children:

- i Caroline, b. Oct. 28, 1826; m. Dec. 1, 1847, Sumner J. Ward of Buckland.
- ii Oscar, b. June 30, 1828; d. from an accident in his father's grinding shop, being caught in a machinery belt, June 23, 1852; m. Mar. 7 or 17, 1852, Mary A. Ward of West Springfield.
- iii Edward, b. July 29, 1830; d. July 28, 1831.
- iv Charles, b. Dec. 9, 1831; d. July 27, 1839.
- v Lemira, b. June 5, 1834.
- vi Edward Payson, b. May 27, 1837; res. Greenfield.
- vii Helen L., b. Jan. or June 29, 1841; d. Sept. 9, 1863, in Greenfield.

HITCHCOCK, Eri, had son, b. Dec. 7, 1860.

HITCHCOCK, Ethan, d. May 20, 1866, ae. 93 yrs.

HODGE, Nehemiah, m. Caroline F. —, (pr. Hubbard). Had:

- i Caroline Fanny, b. July 20, 1815; d. July 1, 1816.
- ii Joseph Hubbard, d. an infant.

HODGEN, George, b. Ireland, a farmer; m. Sarah Jane Cairns, b. East Clifton, Quebec; now live in South Acton. Children, b. Buckland:

- i Frances Myrtle, b. May 27, 1893.
- ii Gladys Merriam, b. Jan. 18, 1895.
- iii Hugh Cairns, b. Aug. 12, 1896.

HODGES, Rev. Alpheus, b. in Rochester, N. Y.; m. Eleanor Redfern, b. in Boston. Children:

- i Benjamin Redfern.
- ii Eleanor, b. Feb. 10, 1896 in Buckland.

HOLBROOK, Amasa C., m. Lucretia Clemmons of Charlemont; he d. Sept. 18, 1863, ae. 52 yrs.; came to Buckland about 1865 to 1870. Children:

- i Emily R., b. Apr. —, 1836; m. William Hawks; res. Plainfield.
- ii Elvira A., twin, b. Sept. 25, 1838; m. George H. Phillips of Ashfield, brother of her twin sister's husband.
- iii Elizabeth A., twin, b. Sept. 25, 1838; m. (1) Lemuel Phillips; m. (2) Jerome Thompson of Halifax, Vt., where she lived many years; now res. Shelburne Falls.
- iv Horace, b. Apr. 5, 1845; res. Northampton, Springfield, and So. Deerfield. Died at the latter place.
- v George R., b. June 17, 1851, sett. in Ontario, Calif., where he d. Sept. 28, 1932. A prominent man, holding many positions of public trust.

HOLBROOK, Dr. Silas, was a physician in Buckland where he practised until about 1793 when he rem. to Pembroke, N. Y., but finally made his home at Batavia, N. Y., at which place he d. Mar. 22, 1835. He was a surgeon in the Revolutionary army and his widow received a pension. He was probably the son of Josiah and Mary Holbrook of Sturbridge. He m. Aug. 21, 1785, Tirzah, dau. of Othniel Taylor, at which time he was recorded as of Greenfield. Children:

- i Tirzah, b. Dec. 16, 1787; m. Elisha Taylor; res. Byron, N. Y., and Plymouth, Wis.
- ii Vesta, b. Sept. 10, 1789; m. twice and d. at Howell, Mich. in 1855.
- iii Thestor Taylor, b. June 2, 1792; served in the War of 1812; res. Batavia, N. Y. and Litchfield, Mich. There were three other children born after the family left Buckland.

HOLDEN, Alveris, was in town in 1822.

HOLDEN, Eugene V., b. 1887; d. 1918; m. Bertha Howes of Ashfield.



HOLMES, Henry A., s. of George W. and Ophelia (Alexander), b. in Northampton; m. in Buckland, Oct. 1, 1910, Agnes A., dau. of Joseph and Adeline Stauber of Buckland. He was a florist, living in town as early as 1900; d. Mar. 10, 1912, ae. 65 yrs.

HOOK, William, b. Newburyport, was in Buck. in 1800; d. July 2, 1832, ae. 86 yrs. On his tomb-stone he is given the title, Captain. He m. May 26, 1800, Mary, dau. of John Ward of Buck. She was b. Jan. 11, 1768 in Upton; d. in Buck., Mar. 26, 1853. Children:

- i Amelia, b. Feb. 4, 1807; d. Oct. 5, 1877.
- ii Fanny, m. Nov. 4, 1829, Eleazer Whitney of Halifax, Vt.
- iii Almira E., b. Apr. 11, 1803; m. May 6, 1824, Lyman Wood of Buck. She d. Aug. 22 or 23, 1888.
- iv Mary, m. Merritt Stetson; d. June 20, 1864, ae. 63 yrs.
- v Amos Stephen.

HOSMER, Cephas<sup>7</sup> (Silas<sup>6</sup>, Nathan<sup>5</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, James<sup>1</sup>), b. in Montague, Oct. 13, 1809; d. Aug. 4, 1863; m. Almeda Phillips. His son Phineas, one of five children, lived the last of his life in Buckland and d. there Aug. 23, 1918, ae. 83 yrs. Children:

- i Diadama R.
- ii Phineas P.
- iii Josephine A.
- iv Francis J.
- v Nathan B.

HOWARD, John, was a voter in 1806.

HOWARD, Polly, was here in 1833.

HOWARD, Seth Childs, of Buck. and Colrain had son:

- i Henry Augustine, b. May 2, 1842.

1 HOWES, Almon, served as selectman and assessor in 1859, later res. Ashfield, d. Oct. 12, 1893, ae. 73; his first wife, Jane, d. in Buckland July 23, 1865, ae. 46 yrs. His second, Caroline H. Crittenden, b. Feb. 20, 1833; d. Apr. 16, 1925, ae. 92 yrs. Children:

- i Edwin S., d. Oct. 3, 1851, ae. 10 weeks.
- 2 ii Clark.

2 Clark, s. of Almon(1), was here in 1900; m. Nettie E., dau. of Taylor Clapp. She was b. in Southampton; d. in Buck., Feb. 20, 1930, ae. 72 yrs. No children.

HOWES, Daniel, s. of James, b. in Ashfield; d. May 5, 1908, ae. 72 yrs.

HOWES, Charles, b. 1846; d. 1916. Wife Ora E. Crittenden, b. 1855; d. 1909.

HOWES, Ezra (Zechariah<sup>6</sup>, Joseph<sup>5</sup>, Joseph<sup>4</sup>, Samuel<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 14, 1796; d. June 15, 1855. He took a prominent part in the events of his generation, serving as town clerk and treasurer, Justice of the Peace and representative to the General Court. He m. May 8, 1822, Lydia, dau. of Rev. Josiah Spaulding, at which time he is recorded as of Ashfield. She d. July 29, 1836, ae. 39 yrs., and he m. (2) Dec. 27, 1837, Mrs. Lois Warriner, who was b. Dec. 31, 1799; d. Sept. 16, 1864. Children:

- i Mary W., b. Nov. 30, 1823; m. Peter Goddard.
- ii Lydia, b. Aug. 5, 1825; d. Nov. 20, 1832.
- iii Infant son, d. Oct. 7, 1838.
- iv Ann C., d. Oct. 4, 1842, ae. 8 mos.

HOWES, Lavinia, d. Sept. 20, 1841.

HOWES, Nathan, was a voter in 1822; served as an assessor in 1832; d. in Garden Grove, Ia., in 1874, ae. 55 yrs. His wife was Nabby. Had:

- i Pauline, b. Aug. 19, 1820; m. Nov. 21, 1844, Edwin Johnson.

HOWES, Ormand and Martha. Their youngest child, Edwin Charles, d. Mar. 2, 1844, ae. 18 mos.

HOWES, Osmyn, had a daughter, who d. Feb. 16, 1850, ae. 15 yrs.; a daughter Phebe, d. Apr. 29, 1853, ae. 14 yrs.

HOWES, Philip, joined the second Baptist church in 1832.

HOWES, Samuel, Jr., b. 1821; d. 1895; m. Dec. 26, 1843, Betsey R. Robinson of West Cummington. She d. Feb. 24, 1852, ae. 29 yrs.; m. (2) Mary J. —. She was b. 1831; d. 1898. Children:

- i Charles, d. Sept. 29, 1849.
- ii Duane F., b. Nov. 16, 1850; d. Feb. 8, 1914.

HOWES, Sarah, joined the second Baptist church in 1830.

1 HOWES, Sereno Elwin, s. of Henry and Fidelia, b. in Ashfield, Sept. 10, 1866; m. Sept. 17, 1892, Rosa L., dau. of Jesse M. Ward. Children:

- 2 i Clifton Ward, b. Mar. 10, 1894 in Ashfield.
- ii Mabel Edna, b. Sept. 11, 1895 in Buck.; m. Sept. 17, 1927, Samuel W. Merritt of Goshen.

2 Clifton Ward, s. of Sereno E.(1), b. Mar. 10, 1894 in Ashfield; m. Delia E. —; now lives Holyoke. Children:

- i Clifton H., b. Apr. 10, 1925.
- ii Edna M., b. Sept. 5, 1926.

HOWES, Sophia, d. Feb. 11, 1868, ae. 26 yrs.

HOWES, Willis N., b. 1837; m. Nov. 5, 1862, Susan N. Bradford of Conway. Children:

- i Son, b. Sept. 9, 1863.
- ii Martha J., b. Dec. 21, 1868.

1 Howson, Charles E., s. of Joseph E., b. Sheffield, England; d. Jan. 5, 1919, ae. 84 yrs.; m. Ruth H., dau. of William and Martha (Woodhouse) Hyland, also b. in England; d. Sept. 11, 1909, ae. 77 yrs. Children:

- 2 i Joseph E., b. in England, Nov. 26, 1864.
- ii Ruth, b. in England; m. in Buck., Nov. 24, 1883, William G. Hume.

2 Joseph E., s. of Charles E.(1), b. in Sheffield, England, Nov. 26, 1864; m. Dec. 25, 1884, Mary Ellen, dau. of William and Ellen Bowling of Buckland. Res. Conway Street. Children:

- i Mary Madeline, b. Nov. 21, 1885, R. N.; Supervisor at Brattleboro, Vt., Retreat.
- 3 ii Edward Charles, b. Apr. 27, 1887.

3 Edward Charles, s. of Joseph E.(2), b. Apr. 27, 1887; m. Apr. 30, 1919, Eva J., dau. of Charles and Pamela LaBelle of Colrain. Children:

- i Helen Anna, b. Feb. 7, 1920.
- ii Edward C., b. Dec. 26, 1922.
- iii Joseph Francis, b. July 23, 1926.
- iv Robert Dennis, b. July 4, 1931.



Howson, Charles A. (perh. s. of Thomas and Letitia), d. July 1, 1872, ae. 6 mos.

Howson, John, s. of William and Jane, b. in England; m. in Buck., Oct. 13, 1873. Mrs. Mary Ann Russell, dau. of Sleigh and Sarah Rowland.

Howson, Sarah, dau. of Joseph and Sarah, b. in England; m. — Marsden; she d. in Buck., May 4, 1895, ae. 65 yrs.

Howson, Thomas and Letitia (Bellamy). Children, b. in Buckland:

- i Son, b. July 12, 1870.
- ii Alice, b. Nov. 26, 1871; d. Apr. 17, 1872.
- iii George Henry, b. Jan. 30, 1873; d. Aug. 10, 1873.

HUBBARD, Joseph, pr. s. of Elihu and Electa (Stearns) of Goshen, b. in Goshen, Jan. 2, 1822; d. Dec. 2, 1879; rem. to Buck.; m. Henrietta, dau. of Levi and Sarah Stetson of Plainfield. She d. Oct. 3, 1873, ae. 49 yrs. Known children:

- i Orista L., d. Mar. 1, 1845, ae. 8 mos.
- ii Martha, d. July 29, 1865, ae. 18 yrs.
- iii Sarah E., d. Oct. 10, 1873, ae. 17 yrs.
- iv (Perh.) Frank E., b. Nov. 25, 1854; d. May 28, 1887.

1 HUBBARD, William, d. in Buckland, Oct. 15, 1843, ae. 89 yrs.; was formerly of Leverett. He was a Revolutionary pensioner and in 1840, was living with his son Joseph in Buckland. His wife, Hannah Baker, d. Feb. 16, 1837, ae. 73 yrs. Had:

- 2 i Joseph, b. at Sunderland, Feb. 27, 1788.

2 Joseph, s. of William(1), b. in Sunderland, Feb. 27, 1788; d. in Buckland, Apr. 10, 1852; m. (1) Arabella, dau. of Zephaniah and Rachel (Wood) Lathrop of Hawley; she was b. Sept. 25, 1786; d. Apr. 2, 1838; m. (2) Nov. 10, 1839, Rowena, dau. of Lemuel and Lucy (Briggs) Taylor of Buckland. She was b. Jan. 27, 1809; d. at Winchester, Ill., Sept. 15, 1885. Joseph Hubbard was selectman and overseer of the poor. Children:

- i Son, infant, d. Mar. 20, 1813.
- ii Caroline, d. at No. Adams; m. prob. Nehemiah Hodge.
- iii Arabelle L., m. Samuel Townsley of West Brookville, N. Y., Sept. 5, 1843; res. Milwaukee, Mich.

- iv William L., b. 1818; m. Sept. 2, 1839, Julianna, dau. of Enos Taylor, res. Neenah, Wis.
- v Charles, d. May 5, 1817, ae. 7 mos.
- vi Edwin L.
- vii Infant son, b. and d. July 9, 1821.
- viii Joseph, Jr., d. Aug. 9, 1825, ae. 2 yrs.
- ix Infant son, b. and d. Nov. 17, 1832.
- x Joseph, Jr., rem. West.
- xi Charles Baker, b. Sept. 25, 1841; after the Civil War rem. to Winchester, Ill.

HUBBARD, William L., s. of Alanson L. and Susan, b. Sunderland; m. June 24, 1885, Ellen Elizabeth, dau. of Austin Pratt Ward. She was b. Apr. 24, 1856.

1 HUME, Harry, s. of John and Mary, b. in England, came to America in June 1867; d. in Buck., Feb. 6, 1891, ae. 53 yrs.; m. Elizabeth, dau. of Abraham Guite, b. in England; she m. (2) Dec. 24, 1892, William Sampson. Children:

- 2 i William G., b. May 11, 1860, in Wittenton, England.
- ii Fred, b. Feb. 7, 1863.
- iii Nellie, b. Sept. 6, 1873; res. Brattleboro, Vt.

2 William G., s. of Harry(1), b. May 11, 1860, in Wittenton, England; m. in Buck., Nov. 24, 1883. Ruth, dau. of Charles and Ruth Howson. Res. State St. Children:

- 3 i William J., b. Mar. 9, 1885.
- 4 ii Alfred C., b. July 14, 1886.

3 William J., s. of William(2), b. in Buck. Mar. 9, 1885; res. Franklin St.; m. Apr. 2, 1907, Florence E., dau. of John W. and Elizabeth (Marshall) Hall of Buckland. She was b. June 30, 1885. Children:

- i Marjorie, b. Jan. 19, 1912.
- ii Roger William, b. Apr. 4, 1915.
- iii Robert Marshall, b. Aug. 16, 1917.

4 Alfred C., s. of William(2), b. in Buck., July 14, 1886; m. Dec. 21, 1906, Elizabeth, dau. of William and Elizabeth Galbraith of Buckland. He is proprietor of service station, State St., Buckland. Children:

- i Vernon Richmond, b. Aug. 14, 1907.

- ii Clifford M., b. Mar. 17, 1909.
- iii Richard, b. Apr. 25, 1911.
- iv Stanley, b. Aug. 19, 1914.

HURD, Rev. John C., s. of Dea. John and Mary of Oxford, b. Oxford, Sept. 3, 1810. Graduated Bangor Theological Seminary, 1839, and was for a while stationed at Buckland. Probably was not regularly preaching after 1857; d. Aug. 23, 1882; m. Mary H. Shumway of Oxford, by whom he had three children. She d. in 1854 and he m. (2) Mary C. Crosby of Beaver Dam, Wis., by whom he had two children. Known children:

- i Mary, teacher, rem. to Tulare, Calif. where she is thought to have died since 1896.
- ii Eddie, b. Jan. 28, 1869; d. Oct. 10, 1878.

INNIS, Charles, b. in Athol; m. Emily Spencer of Buckland. Children:

- i Rhoda Ann, b. Buckland, Nov. 2, 1876.
- ii Grace Mabel, b. Mar. 4, 1879.

INNIS, George, s. of John and Margaret (McCloud), b. New Brunswick; d. Jan. 15, 1893, ae. 74 yrs.; m. Mary Jane —, who survived him. Children:

- i Charles W.; res. Wilkes Barre, Pa.
- ii Emma I., m. — Armstrong; res. Phoenix, N. Y.

INNIS, George H., s. of George and Rhoda, b. Phillipston; d. Dec. 24, 1912; m. July 17, 1873, Fanny R., dau. of James and Roby McKnight of Buckland. Children:

- i Frank Everett, b. Nov. 6, 1876; res. Shelburne Falls.
- ii George Milo, b. Dec. 13, 1879.

1 JACKMAN, John L., s. of John and Sally (Lagrué), b. at Garland, Me., a resident of Buck. in 1900; d. Feb. 10, 1913, ae. 88 yrs. He m. Julia A., dau. of John B., and Rachel (Towne) Bates. She d. May 22, 1910, ae. 68 yrs. Children:

- i Cora M., b. in Garland, Me., m. (1) May 30, 1883, Charles H. Goff of North Adams. After his death she returned to Buck., where she m. (2), Sept. 19, 1888, George H. Laidley; res. Conway.



- ii Julian L., m. June 26, 1911, Rose E., dau. of Levi and Sophronia Mathys of Colrain.

- 2 iii Walter G., b. Conway, Jan. 3, 1880.

2 Walter G., s. of John L.(1), b. in Conway, Jan. 3, 1880; m. (1) Gladys L., dau. of Walter and Susan S. Constantine of Buckland; m. (2) Nov. 11, 1921, Mrs. Mary Jane Turner, dau. of H. P. Mosman, who was b. in West Salisbury, Vt. He is proprietor of the Bridge of Flowers restaurant, Buckland. Children:

- i Francis, b. July 26, 1905; res. Boston.
- ii Leslie.
- iii Galen.
- iv Clyde.

JENKINS, Archie, res. in Buck., as early as 1900. Res. Ashfield.

JENKINS, Olive F., dau. of James and Sally (Graves) Howes, b. in Ashfield; d. in Buck., Feb. 16, 1915, ae. 74 yrs.

JENNINGS, Ephraim, s. of Capt. Ephraim, formerly of Natick, came hither from Ashfield soon after the close of the Revolutionary War. His aged parents, names not known, were living with him at the time he made his will, which was probated Sept. 24, 1803. He held the office of Lieutenant in the Revolution, and had command of a company of Ashfield men; m. Miriam, dau. of Chileab Smith of Ashfield. His home was in East Buckland, the first farm north of the home of Mary Lyon. Children:

- i Ephraim.
- ii Stephen.
- iii John, who was a voter in town in 1806; pub. with Anna Woodward, Oct. 12, 1805.
- iv Ira.
- v Zera.
- vi Mary.
- vii Mariam.

These children are said to have removed to New York State.

JEPPERSON, Josiah, was here in 1790,<sup>f</sup> at which time his family consisted of two males under sixteen and four females. By deeds came from Uxbridge.

JOHNSON, David<sup>5</sup> (David<sup>4</sup>, Josiah<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. in Leominster, Apr. 8, 1758; served five years in the Revolutionary army, being present at the surrender of Burgoyne and at the evacuation of New York by the British. He sett. in Buck. prior to June 1788; rem. in 1802 to Sempronius, N. Y., where he d. June 22, 1840; m. in 1787, Prudence, dau. of Ebenezer and Prudence Colburne of Leominster. She was b. Nov. 13, 1765; d. Feb. 12, 1849. Children:

- i Fanny, b. June 25, 1788 in Buck.
- ii Clarissa, b. 1790; d. 1800.
- iii Osmond, b. June 1792; sett. after 1812 in Northumberland Co., Va.; d. 1825.
- iv Henry S., b. July 24, 1794; m. and res. Dexter, Mich.; d. July 31, 1847.
- v David, b. 1796; d. in infancy.
- vi Harriet, b. Apr. 27, 1799; m. twice, res. Alabama, N. Y.
- vii Clara, b. Nov. 5, 1801; m.; res. Owasco, N. Y.
- viii Roswell, b. in 1804 after his parents removal to New York State; d. in infancy.
- ix Roswell, b. Sept. 19, 1906; m.; lived in Niles, Mich.

JOHNSON, unplaced but perhaps children of Carlos.

Emily, Lucy and Milo were baptised at second Baptist church, 1830. Died in 1831, child of Mr. C. Johnson (Ch. rec.).

JOHNSON, John, m. Sylvia Bishop, b. in Brush Mills, N. Y. Child:

- i Laura, b. Oct. 7, 1882 in Buck.

JOHNSON, Josiah<sup>5</sup> (David<sup>4</sup>, Josiah<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), brother of David above, b. in Leominster, Mar. 7, 1746. In 1773 he moved to that part of Charlemont afterwards Buck. In 1796 he was sent to the Governor's Council; d. Feb. 21, 1827, a useful and honored man whose influence was a great factor in shaping the early destinies of Buckland. He owned and operated a grist-mill for a short time but the greater part of his life was spent as a farmer. Was a lieutenant in the Revolutionary War; m. 1774, Martha, dau. of Othniel and Martha (Arms) Taylor. She was b. at Charlemont, Dec. 21, 1756; d. Oct. 27, 1825. Children:

- i David, b. July 24, 1775; d. Aug. 12, 1777.
- ii Martha, b. Oct. 31, 1776; d. Aug. 14, 1777.
- 2 iii Othniel, b. Apr. 4, 1778.
- iv Rufus, b. July 21, 1779; m. Feb. 4, 1802, Ruth Phillips; rem. to New York State, thence in 1822 to Ind.
- 3 v Josiah, b. Feb. 28, 1781.
- vi Mary, b. Oct. 15, 1782; m. (1) Dec. 2, 1802, David Nichols of Charlemont; m. (2) David Wilder White of Heath, int. pub. Sept. 1, 1822.
- vii David, b. June 18, 1784; d. Mar. 14, 1788.
- viii Martha, b. Mar. 10, 1786; m. (pub. July 14, 1809), Josiah Hathaway, Jr.; d. Apr. 20, 1834.
- ix Leander, b. Sept. 17, 1787; m. twice; res. Academy, N. Y.
- x Sylvia, b. Sept. 22, 1789; m. Sept. 17, 1812, Ebenezer Woodward; sett. Rutland, N. Y.
- xi Abigail, b. Apr. 2, 1791; m. Nov. 29, 1832, Samuel Allis as his second wife.
- xi Susanna, b. Mar. 7, 1793; m. Feb. 21, 1815, Henry Woodward; sett. Rutland, N. Y.
- xiii Lydia, b. Jan. 28, 1798; m. Dec. 27, 1818, Bildad Woodward; rem. to Jefferson Co., N. Y.
- xiv Lovice, b. Nov. 19, 1799; m. Sept. 10, 1822, Hezekiah Brainard; rem. to Ohio.

2 Othniel, s. of Lt. Josiah(1), b. Buckland, Apr. 4, 1778; d. Mar. 5, 1851; was a mason by trade, also carrying on a farm; a man well versed in literature and writing. Was Captain of an Infantry Co., in 1812. He m. Mar. 1801, Anna, dau. of Gad and Anna (Phillips) Elmer of Ashfield. She was b. Sept. 23, 1783; d. Sept. 19, 1867. Children:

- i Loa, b. July 4, 1801; d. Nov. 7, 1886; was thrice mar.
- 4 ii Homer, b. Dec. 27, 1802.
- iii Thetis, b. Oct. 9 or 19, 1804; m. Mar. 6, 1821, Emory Smith and after 1841, rem. to Wis.
- iv Martha, b. Aug. 13, 1806; m. Benjamin Payne; sett. Wegatchie, N. Y.
- v Patience, b. June 14, 1809; d. Oct. 31, 1809.
- vi Daughter, b. and d. Sept. 20, 1810.



- vii Anna, b. Dec. 31, 1811; m. Jesse Morse; res. Greenfield, Wis.
- viii William Wallace, b. Nov. 29, 1813; m. Oct. 24, 1838, Abigail, dau. of Alvan Clark of Ashfield; rem. in 1842 to Greenfield, Wis. He was the author of the Elmer and Johnson Genealogies. His oldest child, Mary, was b. in Buckland, June 6, 1841.
- ix Marion A., b. July 28, 1816; lived Greenfield, Wis. where she m.
- x Edwin, b. Oct. 24, 1818; m. (1) Nov. 21, 1844, Paulina, dau. of Nathan and Nabby Howes; m. (2) Christina (Packard) Remington.
- 5 xi Oswin, b. Dec. 22, 1820.
- xii Lovice, b. Sept. 7, 1822; d. Aug. 11, 1825.
- xiii Semira, b. Apr. 14, 1826; m. (1) Mar. 14, 1844, Samuel Derby, Jr. of Charlemont; m. (2) Franklin Sprague.

3 Josiah, Jr., s. of Lt. Josiah(1), b. Feb. 28, 1781 in Buck.; m. (pub. Dec. 5, 1801) Betsey, dau. of Gad and Anna (Phillips) Elmer. She was b. June 7, 1785. They lived in Buck. until 1833 then rem. to Northfield, O. Children:

- i Carlos H., b. Mar. 22, 1802; m. Nov. 8, 1829, Lucy Coffin of Buckland; rem. in 1833 to Northfield, O.
- ii Festa, b. Sept. 8, 1803; d. Aug. 29, 1828; m. 1825, Samuel Ware.
- iii Josiah, b. Nov. 11, 1806; m. Jerusha Phillips; sett. Black River, N. Y.
- iv Emily, b. Apr. 21, 1808; d. Oct. 27, 1886; m. June 19, 1832, Roderick O. Dwight.
- v David, b. Dec. 1, 1809; d. in infancy.
- vi Sylvia, b. Nov. 16, 1810; d. Mar. 11, 1857; m. Josiah Buell; res. Richland, Mich.
- vii Betsey, b. Apr. 12, 1812; m. Theodocius Wood of Buckland; sett. Warrensville, Ohio.
- viii Juliette, b. Sept. 3, 1813; m.; res. Strongsville, Ohio.
- ix Wellington, b. Mar. 12, 1815; res. Northfield, Ohio.
- x Isabel, b. Nov. 29, 1816; d. y.
- xi Clarissa, b. July 13, 1818; m. May 14, 1837, Hooker Taylor, as his second wife; res. Cleveland, O.

- xii Gad Elmer, b. Nov. 28, 1819; m. May 19, 1846, Mary Eldredge; sett. Warrensville, Ohio.
- xiii Mary, b. June 22, 1823; d. y.
- xiv John P., b. Sept. 3, 1824; d. July 7, 1830.
- xv Ellen M., b. Feb. 16, 1826; res. Northfield, Ohio.
- xvi Nathan B., b. Sept. 12, 1828; d. y.

4 Homer, s. of Othniel(2), b. Dec. 27, 1802; d. July 31, 1843. He m. Esther, dau. of Ariel Ware, b. Oct. 15, 1802. She m. (2) May 30, 1845, Josiah Booth of Florida, and d. May 25, 1895. Children:

- 6 i Franklin E., b. Apr. 30, 1840.
- 7 ii Homer F., b. Dec. 17, 1842.

5 Oswin, s. of Othniel(2), b. Dec. 22, 1820, was a selectman and assessor. Res. in Buck. until 1878 when he rem. to Hart, Mich. He m. June 11, 1843, Lucy Sprague. She was b. Oct. 11, 1820. Children:

- i Martin Luther, b. Apr. 23, 1844.
- ii Mary Jane, b. July 14, 1846; m. May 22, 1867, Edwin Mallory. She d. in Hart, Mich., Aug. 7, 1879, ae. 33 yrs.
- iii Edwin Franklin, b. Feb. 18, 1850; sett. in Hart, Mich.

6 Franklin E., s. of Homer(4), b. Apr. 30, 1840; d. 1925; res. Williamsburg; m. Isabel Cowles. Children:

- i Charles E., b. 1869; d. Oct. 29, 1925, unm.
- ii Harriet R., b. 1872; unm.

7 Homer F., s. of Homer(4), b. Dec. 17, 1842; d. Mar. 21, 1921; m. Adelaide E. (Esther), dau. of Kendrick and Nancy (Wilder) Ware. She was b. Aug. 9, 1841; d. Mar. 24, 1910. Child:

- 8 i Galen Wayne, b. July 6, 1873.

8 Galen Wayne, s. of Homer F.(7), b. in Buckland, July 6, 1873; m. June 7, 1899, Martha Lampson, dau. of Elijah and Mary (Phillips) Shaw. She was b. Apr. 8, 1879. Res. East Buckland. Children:

- i Lila Esther, b. July 22, 1905.
- ii Leona Irene, b. June 22, 1909; m. May 11, 1931, Ira W. Graves of Shelburne.
- iii Edwin, b. Feb. 6; d. Feb. 9, 1914.

JOHNSON, C., was selectman in 1868.

JOHNSON, Lewis H., was selectman in 1914; m. June 26, 1901, Ethel C., dau. of Luther R. Fuller.

JOHNSON, Samuel, s. of Johannes and Steina, b. Sweden; d. in Buck., Apr. 22, 1919, ae. 65 yrs.; m. Hannah C. Anderson, also a native of Sweden. Children, b. Buck., except the first:

- i Fritz C., b. 1887; m. Nov. 26, 1914, Mildred E., dau. of Herman S. and Lena (Bond) King of Shelburne.
- ii Betsey Amelia, b. Sept. 5, 1890.
- iii Alburne Stanley, b. Sept. 27, 1893.
- iv Francis W., b. Feb. 23, 1896; d. Dec. 17, 1897.
- v Richard F., b. Feb. 7, 1898.

JONES, it is said that three by the name of Abram, a John, Rhoda and Elizur Jones, are all buried in the old cemetery in E. Buckland; no stones.

JONES, Abel, was resident here in 1790, with a family of one male over sixteen, and six females.

JONES, Abraham, name appears on the voting lists of 1806 and 1822. He was pub. with Susanna Upton of Charlemont, June 29, 1799.

An "Abraham the second" was published with Susanna, dau. of John Sprague, July 22, 1806. Whether these intentions applied to the same persons has not been determined. By Major Griswold's account book, Abraham Jones was debtor to a coffin May 1824, apparently for an adult as the charge was \$2.25. Abraham and wife Susannah had the following children:

- i Abraham, Jr., a voter in 1822; pub. with Minerva Upton of Zoar, Apr. 12, 1818, and had Mary M., who was a minor over 14 yrs., in 1833.
- ii Isaac, pub. with Betsey Clark, Mar. 19, 1813, and m. the next month.
- iii Jacob, name on voting list of 1822.

JONES, Alfred, Sr., bought land here on Mar. 30, 1798; a "trader," d. May 30, 1844, ae. 71 yrs., pub. Mar. 24, 1798, with Lilly, dau. of Hugh Maxwell of Heath. She d. Jan. 20, 1839, ae. 79 yrs. (Newspaper). Children:



- i Alfred, Jr., bap. June 30, 1799.
- ii John, d. Mar. 12, 1806, ae. 4 mos.
- iii John, bap. July 4, 1807; "youngest son of Alfred Jones, Sr.," d. Lock Haven, Pa., Nov. 3, 1878, ae. 71 yrs.
- iv Eliza, bap. Apr. 12, 1801.
- v Joshua, — 17, —.

JONES, Amy, was pub. with Robert Clark, Jr., Jan. 1, 1796.

JONES, Angela, child of, d. May 17, 1832.

JONES, Anthony, bought land here Feb. 18, 1784. He was then of Buckland. Census of 1790 gives his family as of one male over sixteen, two under and six females. By deed, Jan. 5, 1796, he was then of "Barnistown."

1 JONES, Bidkar, s. of Samuel and Anna (Taylor), b. at Enfield, Conn., June 4, 1772, a blacksmith; d. Dec. —, 1800. In 1796 he rem. to Middlefield, but soon returned to Buck., where he had a son bap. in May 1800. He m. abt. 1795, Nancy, dau. of Samuel Taylor. She m. (2) Feb. 26, 1807, Levi Cook of Ashfield, as his second wife; d. Aug. 19, 1861. Children:

- 2 i David W. T., b. Mar. 5, 1796.
- ii Bidkar, b. Oct. 1797 at Middlefield; rem. to Louisville, Ky.
- iii Philip, b. Nov. 1799 at Middlefield, bap. May 4, 1800 at Buckland. A blacksmith.

2 David W. T., s. of Bidkar(1), b. at Buck., Mar. 5, 1796, a blacksmith; d. Dec. 2, 1888; m. (1) 1818, Nancy, dau. of Stephen and Polly (White) Booth. She was b. Nov. 1795; d. May 20 or Dec. 2, 1831. He rem. in 1832 to Batcheldorsville, N. Y., where he m. again. His second wife, Thankful, d. Mar. 29, 1877, ae. 67. All are buried in Buckland. Children:

- i Nancy, b. May 18, 1819; m. Dec. 19, 1841, Levi Porter.
- ii Fanny J., b. Nov. 8, 1821; m. May 9, 1841, Joseph L. Snow of Colrain.
- iii Joseph Allen, b. Oct. 13, 1823; d. June 22, 1834.
- iv Cecillia, b. Aug. 9, 1825.
- v Lucy B., b. Sept. 25, 1827.
- vi Cordelia, b. Oct. 4, 1829.
- vii Son, b. and d. May 14, 1831.

- viii Joseph A., b. Aug. 9, 1826 in N. Y. State.
- ix Mary E., d. Feb. 7, 1855, ae. 20.
- x Esther W., d. June 24, 1856, ae. 17.
- xi Emma, b. Dec. 5, 1841, in N. Y.
- xii David White, b. in Buckland, Aug. 8, 1843; d. in Civil War, at Deep Bottom, Va., Aug. 16, 1864.
- xiii Harriet, b. Apr. 9, 1845.
- xiv S. Estelle, d. Oct. 20, 1847, ae. 1 yr., 6 m.
- xv William B., b. Feb. 13, 1850; m. Harriet, b. Apr. 9, 1845.

JONES, Chauncey, a Civil War Veteran and wife Lucretia, were here in 1859; had at Buck., twin sons, b. and d. Sept. 8, 1862.

JONES, Elisha, was a voter in 1822.

JONES, Erastus, was a voter in 1806; m. Dec. 23, 1797, Sally Clark, at which time both were of Buck.

JONES, Horace, per. fr. Ashfield. His first wife Rhoda, d. Aug. 30, 1858, ae. 29 yrs.; m. (2) Dec. 1, 1859, Sarah, dau. of William Gleason of Heath. Children:

- i Charles W., d. July 27, 1855, ae. 2 yrs.
- ii Frederick W., d. Aug. 16, 1858, ae. 4 weeks.
- iii Sarah Maria, b. Dec. 7, 1860; was of Barnstable, June 7, 1881.

JONES, Jerusha, m. Chandler Carter, and d. June 27, 1844, ae. 36 yrs.

JONES, John, m. Oct. 19, 1832, in Norwich, Emeline Knight, both of Buck.

JONES, Joshua, a voter in 1806; m. Dec. 12, 1804, Susanna Jones, both of Buck.

JONES, Lucy, m. Feb. 17, 1799, Nehemiah Blanchard, of Guilford, Vt.

JONES, Meribah, pub. with Jonathan Pike of Whitingham, Vt., Nov. 23, 1803.

JONES, Phebe, widow, pub. with Joshua Totman of Colrain, Oct. 4, 1815.

JONES, Rachel, pub. with Samuel Brown of Guilford, Vt., Apr. 27, 1798.

JONES, Sylvilla, pub. with John Brown of Guilford, Vt., June 15, 1802.

JONES, William, was here in 1790 with a family of four males under sixteen and four females.

Jones, William, was pub. with Phebe Dodge of Guilford, Vt., Oct. 25, 1796.

JONES, William, Jr., m. Jan. 7 or 8, 1801, Chloe Sprague of Buckland. He was a voter in 1806.

JOSLYN, William S., m. Emily A. E., dau. of Royal and Ruth Smith of Colrain. She was b. Dec. 28, 1826; m. for a second husband, Dec. 20, 1877, Ezekiel Dodge Bement. She d. Apr. 3 or 11, 1917. Children:

- i Mary E., b. Nov. 28, 1853; d. Jan. 21, —.
- ii Laura Isabella, b. Oct. 30, 1859; d. May 26, 1889.
- iii Charles.
- iv Maria Merrill, b. June 22, 1866; m. Oct. 15, 1902, James D. Avery. Res. Shelburne Falls.

JOYCE, Thomas, b. Ireland; d. in Buckland, Aug. 31, 1881, ae. 47 years; m. Mary Connelly. Children:

- i Sarah, b. Jan. 14, 1868; m. Feb. 13, 1887, Edward Kelley.
- ii Patrick, d. Aug. 14, 1873.
- iii Lucy Maria, b. May 26, 1870; d. Sept. 25, 1872.
- iv John, b. Jan. 14, 1873; d. Sept. 13, 1873.

1 JOYCE, Thomas 2nd, a shoe-maker by trade, b. in Ireland; d. in Boston, May 20, 1902, ae. 64 years. No connection with the family of Thomas above. He m. Bridget O'Brien, who d. Sept. 5, 1896, ae. 58 years. Children:

- i Ellen A., b. Aug. 16, 1865; res. Mt. Vernon, N. Y., unm.
- ii Henry G., b. Dec. 12, 1867.
- 2 iii Frank W., b. Dec. 12, 1869.
- iv Lucy, b. Mar. 15, 1870; d. y.
- v Maria Agnes, b. Sept. 22, 1874.
- vi Thomas Edward, b. Sept. 17, 1877; d. June 1, 1905.
- vii Lucy, b. Apr. 3, 1882; m. Michael A. Morrissey of Indian Orchard. Res. Mt. Vernon, N. Y.



2 Frank W., s. of Thomas 2nd(1), b. Dec. 12, 1869, in Buck.; d. Dec. 8, 1913. Was engaged in a livery business. He m. Jan. 25, 1891, Ermina L., dau. of Stephen and Sarah Randall of Glendale, Mich. She now lives at North Adams. Children:

- i Glenn Francis, b. June 2, 1892; m. June 23, 1913, Edna M., dau. of Louis and Lucy Sommer of Shelburne. Res. New Haven, Conn.
- 3 ii Philip Randall, b. July 27, 1893.
- iii Helen Ermina, b. Dec. 15, 1894; d. Mar. 9, 1895.
- iv Marion Angela, b. Dec. 29, 1895; m. June 27, 1923, Louis J. Fontaine of Framingham. Resides Shelburne Falls.
- v Thomas Edward, b. Apr. 10, 1903; res. North Adams.

3 Philip, s. of Frank W.(2), b. July 27, 1893; res. Ashfield St., m. Feb. 5, 1924, Gladys D., dau. of Albert C. and Susie (Whiting) Bray. Has:

- i Phyllis Bray, b. Apr. 16, 1925.

JOYCE, Joanna, m. July 31, 1860, Henry Howard of Buck.

KANE, Jeremiah, came from Ireland, d. Feb. 27, 1883; m. Margaret Connors; she d. Sept. 23, 1901. Children:

- i Patrick, H., b. in Ireland; voter in 1900; d. Dec. 2, 1916, ae. 67 yrs.
- ii Hannah, d. Dec. 12, 1905.
- iii Edward.
- iv Catherine F., b. and d. in Buck.; m. — Finn; res. Keene, N. H., d. Nov. 15, 1928, ae. 67 yrs.
- v Margaret, A.,

1 KEACH, Benjamin, b. in Vt., s. of Benjamin and Diadama —; d. Nov. 30, 1890, ae. 69 yrs.; m. Frances L. (Luthera), dau. of Alvah Packard. She was b. in So. Deerfield; d. Apr. 27, 1910, ae. 88 yrs. Children:

- i Rachel (probably), d. Sept. 1, 1871, ae. 33 yrs.
- ii Sarah E., b. in state of New York; m. Oct. 22, 1865 at So. Deerfield, Dwight L. Meekins; d. in Buck., Aug. 30, 1889, ae. 45 or 46 yrs.
- iii Cephas, b. Deerfield, (So. ?); d. in Buck., Sept. 24, 1889, ae. 34 yrs., unm.

- 2 iv Joseph W., b. Malone, N. Y.
  - v Reuel, b. So. Deerfield; d. by accidental discharge of gun, Dec. 20, 1886, ae. 38 yrs.
  - vi Charles E., b. So. Deerfield; d. Apr. 5, 1928, ae. 74 yrs.; m. Aug. 27, 1878, Myra Howes of Ashfield.
- 3 vii Fred W.
  - viii Ellsworth, res. in Conn.
- 2 Joseph W., s. of Benjamin(1), b. Malone, N. Y.; d. Buckland, Nov. 1, 1922, ae. 76 yrs. He was a man especially interested and active in church work; m. Ellen, dau. of George and Gertrude J. Trim, Truman or Price. She was b. in New Haven, Conn., and d. Nov. 11, 1927, ae. 77 yrs. Children:
  - i Frank Otis, res. Farmington, Me.
  - ii Alice Rachel, b. in Ashfield in 1871; m. in Buck., Apr. 30, 1890, Edmund H. Maynard.
- 4 iii Harry J., b. Hawley.
- 5 iv Herbert Leroy, b. May 2, 1879.
  - v George B., d. Jan. 27, 1890, ae. 4 yrs.
  - vi Cora, m. Albert Warren.
- 3 KEACH, Fred W., s. of Benjamin(1), b. So. Deerfield; m. Josephine Clark who was b. in Hawley. Had:
  - i William Harrison, b. Hawley, Sept. 18, 1892; m. Aug. 14, 1915, Evelyn Grace, dau. of David and Fannie (Roberts) Clark of Buckland. Res. Buckland.
- 4 Harry J., s. of Joseph W.(2), b. in Hawley; d. June 5, 1915, ae. 40 yrs., m. Ada, dau. of Charles and Ann (Herring) Shaw, Nov. 10, 1903. Res. Buckland. Child:
  - i Burton, b. Aug. 10, 1910.
- 5 Herbert Leroy, s. of Joseph(2), b. May 2, 1879; m. Nov. 9, 1912, Lizzie Emma, dau. of Edgar Hunt Ward. She was b. Feb. 26, 1887; d. Dec. 10, 1915. Had:
  - i Marion Elizabeth, b. Sept. 21, 1913.
- 1 KEMP, Benjamin E., d., ae. 82 yrs.; pr. s. of Lawrence, Jr. and Mehitable (Ellis) of Shelburne; m. Nov. 28, 1834, Sarah W. Eddy of Buckland, who d. Apr. 21, 1843, ae. 27 yrs; m. (2) Jan. 18, 1844, Mehitable Luce of Goshen. Children:
  - i George M., d. Nov. 6, 1860, ae. 20 yrs.

- ii Benjamin L., d. June 1, 1849, ae. 4 yrs.
- 2 iii Abner E.

2 Abner E., s. of Benjamin E.(1), b. Buck.; m. Dec. 24, 1872, Ida B., dau. of James M., and Roby F. McKnight. Had:

- i Benjamin James, b. Oct. 23, 1874. Res. Buck., 1900; now in Shelburne Falls.

KENDALL, Hannah, widow of Joseph, and formerly wife of Asa Smith, d. in Buckland, Aug. 14, 1817, ae. 70 yrs.

KENDALL, Parley, was a voter in Buckland in 1822.

1 KENDRICK, Asa. F., s. of Oliver and Anna, b. Heath; d. Jan. 18, 1888, ae. 65 yrs.; m. Emma Jane, dau. of Oliver and Nancy (Noyes) Dennison of Stonington, Ct., who d. in Buckland, Oct. 22, 1918, ae. 91 yrs. Children:

- i Emma J., b. Mystic, Ct.; m. May 26, 1875, Edward I. Braddock of Turners Falls. Lived Cleveland Heights, O.; deceased.
- 2 ii Frank Dennison, b. in 1855.

2 Frank Dennison, s. of Asa F.(1), b. Buckland, 1855; d. Nov. 6, 1922; had served as selectman; m. Oct. 20, 1897, Jennie H., dau. of Loren E. and Ella Briggs. She res. Winthrop.

KENNEDY, Patrick, b. in Ireland; m. Kate M. Holahan. Had:

- i Agnes M., b. Apr. 5, 1876.

KENNEDY, Patrick, s. of John and Mary (Rush), b. Ireland; d. Sept. 3, 1904.

1 KENNEDY, Patrick J., b. Ireland; m. Ellen, dau. Lawrence and Margaret Morrissey, b. in Buck. He was a resident in 1900. Children:

- i Mary, m. June 22, 1893, Walter S. Smead of Greenfield, res. Chicopee.
- ii Margaret C., b. in Buckland, Apr. 14, 1877; m. June 9, 1898, Edward C. Leonard.
- iii Elizabeth M., b. in Buckland, Apr. 5, 1879; m. — Kelly, res. Chicopee.
- 2 iv Lawrence J., b. Dec. 25, 1880.
- v Catherine, b. Oct. 22, 1882; m. — Goodrue, res. School St.



- vi Alice, twin, b. Mar. 22, 1889; m. Feb. 11, 1918, William G. Munsinger.
- vii Ellen, twin, b. Mar. 22, 1889; m. July 15, 1910, Alexander H. Tatreat of Charlemont; res. Heath.

2 Lawrence J., s. of Patrick J.(1), b. Dec. 25, 1880; d. Jan. 11, 1931; was a liveryman; m. Blanche, dau. of Eli and Ellen (La-Plant) Stone. She d. Dec. 16, 1927, ae. 38 yrs. Children:

- i David Francis, b. July 23, 1910.
- ii Lawrence.
- iii Ellen M., b. Apr. 17, 1913. (Probate rec., b. Apr. 12, 1914.)
- iv Son, b. Dec. 23, 1914. (Probate, b. Bernard K., b. Dec. 23, 1915.)
- v Ilene, b. Mar. 4, 1917. (Alice, b. Mar. 4, 1918, Probate).
- vi John James, b. Aug. 10, 1921. (Probate, b. Aug. 10, 1922.)
- vii Kathleen, b. Apr. 30, 1923. (Probate, b. Apr. 30, 1924.)
- viii Daughter, b. Dec. 16, 1927; d. y.

KENNEDY, Timothy C., b. Ireland; m. Bridget ——. Had:

- i Mary Agnes, b. Greenfield; d. May 14, 1887, ae. 14 yrs.

1 KENNEY, Edward, s. of Joshua U. and Sarah (Parsons), b. Sept. 20, 1845, in Worthington; d. Nov. 18 or 19, 1928; m. in Plainfield, Mar. 26, 1867, Cora E. dau. Silas Marble Haskins, b. in Windsor, Apr. 30, 1849. Children:

- i Albert E., b. May 12, 1868; m. Jan. 1, 1894, Katherine P., dau. of William and Mahala (Mantor) Hartwell; res. Westfield.
- ii Lillian B., b. Mar. 23, 1871; m. Nov. 2, 1889, Fred L. Hartwell.
- iii Alice M., b. Mar. 29, 1873; m. Aug. 5, 1891, Wilber E. Parker of Hawley; resides Northampton.
- iv Grace Evelyn, b. Sept. 13, 1875; m. June 17, 1895, Frank W. Shumway of Amherst; resided So. Vernon Vt. and Rumford, Maine.
- v Maud Estella, twin, b. Mar. 25, 1882; m. May 20, 1908, Ralph T. Jenks of Springfield, where they live.
- vi Mabel Rosalie, twin, b. Mar. 25, 1882; d. July 30, 1883.

- vii Clarence Linwood, b. Dec. 17, 1887; d. Aug. 27, 1888.
- 2 viii Clifton Maxwell, b. Feb. 15, 1889.

2 Clifton Maxwell, s. of Edward(1), b. Feb. 15, 1889; m. June 18, 1913, Mary L., dau. of Luther and Lula B. (Taylor) Purring-ton of Buckland. Res. Buckland. Children:

- Donald Clifton, b. Aug. 29, 1914.
- ii Francis, b. Nov. 18, 1916; died 1934.
- iii Russell D., b. Sept. 22, 1918.
- iv Warren Ashley, b. Aug. 8, 1921.

KENNEY, Henry Franklin, s. of James and Sarah A. (Kingman), b. Chesterfield; m. Jennie —. He d. Apr. 8, 1929, ae. 77 yrs.

KEYES, Stephen, said to have settled here prior to 1770; July 15, 1784, he then of Conway, sold his holdings in town. He m. Mar. 20, 1759, Elizabeth, dau. of Hezekiah Ward. Both are buried in Conway (or Ashfield). At Shrewsbury, there are recorded to them the following. Children:

- i Levina, b. July 6, 1760; m. Josiah Tenney.
- ii Elizabeth, b. Oct. 3, 1762.
- iii Gerrish, b. July 2, 1767.

KILBURN, Jonathan, was a member of the second Baptist church in 1835.

KILBURN, Joseph W., s. of Welburn and Abigail (Baldwin), b. Warwick; d. Mar. 17, 1907, ae. 65 yrs.

KILBURN, Mary, m. Jan. 25, 1798, Wyman Fessenden of Buckland.

KILBURN, Samuel Shalor, was a voter here in 1806, m. Betsey —, and d. prior to Jan. 25, 1814. His estate was insolvent and no heirs' names appear in the Probate records. The name of Samuel appears as surety.

KILBURN, Spalah, was a voter here in 1806.

KILTON, see CARLTON.

1 KING, Erastus, b. Charlemont; d. Dec. 9, 1867, ae. 80 yrs.; m. Esther —, who was b. in Colrain, a dau. of John and Sarah —. She d. Feb. 7, 1865, ae. 85 yrs. Children:

- i Lammon.

- ii James T., b. in Rowe; d. Feb. 20, 1886, ae. 69 yrs.  
He had a son Levi F., who was b. in Rowe; m. Sarah M., dau. of George and Sarah Lewis. She d. Jan. 17, 1900, ae. 49 yrs. He d. at Buckland, May 26, 1899, ae. 48 yrs.

2   iii Josiah B.

2 Josiah B., s. of Erastus(1), d. Mar. 4, 1889, ae. 57 yrs.; m. Sept. 22, 1853, Mary E. Dole. (Another record gives the wife's name as Sarah Dole, perhaps a second mar.) Before coming to Buck., he lived for a time in Vermont. Children:

- i Elizabeth Ann Dawson, b. Feb. 7, 1862.
- ii Lula S., b. in Windsor, Vermont, Feb. 8, 1874; m. Nov. 4, 1893, Frank G. Cramer, at which time her residence was given as Buck.

3   iii Herman S., b. in Buck.

- iv Julia Emma, m. June 7, 1899, Charles J. Carpenter of E. Charlemont.

3 Herman S., s. of Josiah B.(2), m. Nov. 5, 1889, Lena B., dau. of Russell and Ophelia Bond, who was b. in Conway. Children:

- i Robert, res. Buck.
- ii Daughter.
- iii Mildred Evelyn, b. Nov. 11, 1893, in Buck.; m. Nov. 26, 1914, Fritz C. Johnson of Buckland.

1 KING, James F., d. Feb. 20, 1886. Lived in Zoar, before coming to Buck.; m. Parney, dau. of Jude Cross. She d. Sept. 2, 1885, ae. 72 yrs. Children:

- 2   i Jude C., b. Feb. 15, 1838, in Zoar.
- ii Nancy A.; m. — Dunbar, res. Buck.
- iii Isabella V., m. — Woodward; res. Shelburne.
- 3   iv Levi F.
- v Mary, m. — Marcy, of Buck.
- vi Cyrena, m. — Coates.

2 KING, Jude C., s. of James and Parney (Cross), b. in Zoar, Feb. 15, 1838; d. in E. Buck., Mar. 23, 1907; m. Oct. 11, 1862, Tirzah E., dau. of Zophar and Amanda (Ware) Woodward. She d. June 30, 1916 (July 2, 1916, Probate rec.), ae. 79 yrs.



He had lived many years on the farm where he died. Children:

- 4 i Lorenzo L., b. at Rowe.
- ii Arthur M., b. in Rowe, in 1865; d. Jan. 28, 1922; m. May 31, 1885 in Buckland, Marriet K., dau. of David E., and Helen Dunham. She was b. 1862; d. 1923.
- iii Robert F., b. Mar. 5, 1878; res. Meriden, Conn.
- iv Nora A., m. Mar. 20, 1886, Herbert Woodward.

3 Levi F., s. of James F.(1), d. May 26, 1899. He m. Sarah M. —, who d. Jan. 17, 1900. Children:

- i Alice M., res. Buck.
- 5 ii Louis F., b. in Montague, Apr. 1874.

4 Lorenzo L., s. of Jude C.(2), b. at Rowe; m. Dec. 24, 1888, Inez E., dau. of Clark D. and Immogene Bass. Had:

- i Forest Raymond, b. Ellington, Conn.; m. June 12, 1923, Marjorie D., dau. of Herbert A., and Grace (Miller) Hale of Colrain and Shelburne Falls.

5 Louis F., s. of Levi F.(3), b. in Montague, Apr. —, 1874; m. Grace B. Dodge, who d. Oct. 22, 1905, ae. 23 yrs. He was a resident in 1900. Had:

- i Rupert, b. Mar. 21, 1902.

KING, Rhoda, was pub. with Palmer Temple, of Buckland, Oct. 27, 1793.

KIRSCH, Henry Philip, s. of Gabriel and Mary (Ott), b. in Germany; m. (1) Augusta, dau. of Otto Golling; she d. Dec. 28, 1908, ae. 40 yrs.; m. (2) Mrs. Helen Korff. Resides on Green Street. Children:

- i Christian Willie, b. Dec. 17, 1894; d. Mar. 16, 1895.
- ii Lillie M., b. Jan. 7, 1897; m. May 5, 1920, Michael J. Casey of Montague.
- iii Arthur Henry, b. Dec. 29, 1904; m. Aug. 13, 1927, Esther Eunice, dau. of Edmund Brooks.

KNIGHT, Emeline, m. Oct. 19, 1832 in Norwich, John Jones of Buck.

KNIGHT, Fred H., b. in North Adams; m. Susan Bradley, who was b. in Colrain. Had:

- i Jessie R., b. Aug. 9, 1897.

KOCH, John Louis, s. of John and Anna Mary Schick, b. in Austria; d. Oct. 24, 1918, ae. 71 yrs. He m. Dec. 11, 1875, Mrs. Bridget Dunnigan, dau. of Hugh and Sarah Moseley. She d. Nov. 2, 1891, ae. 45 yrs.; m. (2) Apr. 19, 1892, Magdalena, dau. of John and Annie (Croft) Oefinger.

KOCH, J. George, b. in Germany; m. Barbara Souter. Children:

- i Jennie May, b. Sept. 20, 1882.
- ii Annie, b. Mar. 7, 1884.

KOCH, Simon, s. of John and Anna Mary (Schick), b. Germany; d. May 31, 1901, ae. 51 yrs.; m. Caroline Calvert, dau. of Thomas and Elizabeth (Calvert) Herman. She was b. at Leeds, England; d. Oct. 17, 1930, ae. 82 yrs. Children:

- i Carrie B., m. June 29, 1879, Frank A. Axtell; res. Palonse, Wash.
- ii Harry, b. Jan. 6, 1879.
- iii Sarah, b. Jan. 21, 1881; d. Feb. 2, 1881.
- iv Emma, b. Sept. 4, 1883; m. Oct. 11, 1905, Frederick W. Wissman.
- v Frank, b. Mar. 5, 1885; res. Jamestown, Va. and Buckland.
- vi Mary, b. Oct. 8, 1876; m. Oct. 8, 1894, Francis D. Avery.
- vii Elizabeth, m. — Locke; res. Athol.
- viii George Hermon; res. Worcester.

1 KRATT, John, m. in Germany, Anna Heere. She d. there; he came to America in the very late 1850's or early 1860's, finally locating in Buck., where he d. Feb. 16, 1892, ae. 80 yrs. Children, b. Germany:

- 2 i George.
- 3 ii John.
- 4 iii Christian.

2 George, s. of John(1), b. in Germany; d. in Buckland, Aug. 5, 1916, ae. 80 yrs. He m. Anna, dau. of John and Anna Pfersick, b. Germany; d. May 24, 1913, ae. 74 yrs. Children:

- i Mary C., b. Apr. 27, 1862, in Greenfield; m. Dec. 29, 1880, William A. Sauer of Buck. where she now resides.
  - 5 ii George, Jr., b. in Winsted, Conn., Dec. —, 1859.
    - iii Edward, b. Apr. 30, 1872; res. Manchester, Conn.
    - iv Charles, d. in Springfield at the age of 31 yrs.
  - 6 v Christian J.
    - vi Anna B., m. June 9, 1896, Andrew Amstein; res. Shelburne Falls.
    - vii Flora, d. Aug. 25, 1887, ae. 5 yrs. Entered on the Town records as "Lottie, b. Aug. 13, 1881."
- 3 John, s. of John(1), b. Germany; m. Barbara —, removed to Turners Falls where all but their first child were b. Had, at Buck.:
- i Anna, m. in Buck., July 1, 1882, John Fritz of Turners Falls.
- 4 Christian, s. of John(1), b. in Germany; d. Jan. 6, 1914, ae. 75 yrs.; m. Anna, dau. of Joseph and Adeline Stauber. She d. Nov. 28, 1919, ae. 72 yrs. Children:
- i Emma J., b. June 17, 1867; res. Buck., unm.
  - ii Lillie A., b. Jan. 18, 1870; m. Jan. 1, 1897, George Lester of Shelburne. He d. Aug. 22, 1892. She res. State Street.
  - iii Zoey, b. Nov. 22, 1877; res. Buck., unm.
  - iv Bessie M., b. July 24, 1879; m. June 19, 1907, Walter E. Legate of Shelburne. They res. State Street, where Mr. Legate is proprietor of a livery; selectman. They have: 1. Helen May, b. May 31, 1910; a teacher.
- 5 George, Jr., s. of George(2), b. in Winsted, Conn., Dec. —, 1859; d. in 1929; m. Sept. 15, 1880, Nellie, dau. of George H. and Charlotte Newstead; res. Gardner. Child:
- i Earl Francis, b. Aug. 29, 1881; res. Woonsocket, R. I.
- 6 Christian, s. of George(2), m. Mary H., dau. of Solon Lee of Athol. Both died the same year; res. Athol. Children:
- i Arthur D., b. July 20, 1912; student; res. Buckland.
  - ii Hilda.
  - iii Dorothy.



iv Beatrice Lee.

v Lloyd.

LACKEY, Chloe, pub. with Enoch Lilly of Hawley, Sept. 17, 1808; m. Oct. 25, 1808.

LACKEY, James, the youngest of five children, b. at Upton, July 20, 1757; d. Palmyra, N. Y., Mar. 11, 1827. A Revolutionary soldier in 1776. At the age of 23, he m. Charlotte Forbes, age 17, a native of Uxbridge. They res. in Upton eleven years, rem. with their four children to Buck. in 1791, buying 50 acres for three hundred dollars. They had seven children, one of whom was:

- i Thomas, who was b. in Buck. about 1793; rem. in spring of 1811 with his parents, to Palmyra, N. Y., where he d. Apr. 26, 1864.

1 LANFAIR, Alvin L. (Robert<sup>2</sup>, Roswell<sup>1</sup> of "Wisdom," Deerfield), b. Deerfield, Oct. 5, 1812; d. July 4, 1877; m. Elvira L., dau. of Jabez Jones and widow of Simeon Peck. She d. May 16, 1886, ae. 79 yrs. Children:

- 2 i Martin O., b. Deerfield, Aug. 25, 1845.
- ii Carrie, m. July 23, 1881, George A. Newstead.

2 Martin O., s. of Alvin L.(1), b. Deerfield, Aug. 25, 1845; d. Buck., Mar. 1, 1905; m. July 1, 1880, Jane, dau. of William and Elizabeth Forbes. Children:

- i Maud Ellen, b. Sept. 23, 188—; m. Dec. 4, 1898, Charles E. Sutliff; res. Gloversville, N. Y.
- ii Alvin Forbes, b. Jan. 26 or 28, 1888; m. June 30, 1909, Ada, dau. of Joseph and Lucy (Hobson) Martin; res. Elm Street.
- iii Helen Emergene, twin, b. Aug. 23 or 25, 1890.
- iv Nellie C., twin, b. Aug. 23 or 25, 1890; d. Aug. 26, 1890.

LANFAIR, Calvin L., d. July 4, 1877, ae. 64 yrs.

LANFAIR, David W., had son, b. Aug. 8, 1868.

LANFAIR, Leonard D. (Samuel<sup>2</sup>, Leonard<sup>1</sup> of "Wisdom," Deerfield), b. Deerfield, Jan. 23, 1828; m. Elizabeth Lanfair, b. in Clarksburg. Child:

- i Cora Irene, b. Aug. 14, 1873.

LANFAIR, Lucius H., m. Thanksgiving Eve, 1858, to Mary P., dau. of Dea. Joseph and Polly (Pierce) Newton. She was b. in Colrain; d. in Buck., Nov. 20, 1916, ae. 80 yrs. Had:

- i M. Cora, res. Buck.

LARKIN, Curtis B., b. in Norwich, Conn.; res. Buck. in 1900; d. in Shelburne; m. Aug. 8, 1869, Carrie L., dau. of Lemuel and Priscilla (Nichols) Smith. She was b. in Buck.; d. Jan. 10, 1912, ae. 61 yrs. Children:

- i Florence P., b. May 13, 1871; m. Dec. 3, 1893, Herbert E. Rice of Florida; res. Charlemon and Buck.
- ii Frank S., b. Apr. 11, 1873; d. May 9, 1873.

LATHAM, Joseph, of English birth; d. Dec. 24, 1887. His widow was Anna. Children:

- i Emily, m. Samuel W. Smith.
- ii Isabel, m. May 1, 1870, Thomas B. Shaw.

LAZELL, Calvin (Daniel<sup>4</sup>, Isaac<sup>3</sup>, Isaac<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. in Bridgewater, Mar. 13, 1766; d. Niles, Cayuga Co., N. Y., Apr. 1, 1831. With a family he was here in 1790. Rev. pensioner. He was a resident of Ashfield and Buck., removing to Niles, N. Y., abt. 1805. He m. at Ashfield, Sept. 14, 1786, Sarah Stocking, prob. dau. of Joseph and Sarah (Shepard-Cornwall) Stocking. If so she was b. at East Middletown, Conn., July 12, 1769 according to the Stocking genealogy, while family records give her birth date as Sept. 22, 1770. She d. at Niles, N. Y., Oct. 6, 1857. Children:

- i Daniel, b. Mar. 15, 1787; d. Groton, N. Y., Jan. 9, 1869; m.; 6 children.
- ii Jared, b. Apr. 4, 1789; d. Niles, Oct. 25, 1855; m.; no children.
- iii Elizabeth, b. Oct. 16, 1790; d. Clinton, Mich., Dec. 18, 1877; m. Alpheus Kies.
- iv Joseph, b. Mar. 5, 1793; d. Niles, Nov. 22, 1887; unm.
- v George, b. Apr. 14, 1795; d. Aug. 27, 1796.
- vi Sarah, b. Mar. 12, 1797; m. Ezra Perkins; d. July 4, 1848.
- vii George, b. May 13, 1799; d. Bridgewater, Mich., Sept. 24, 1887; twice mar.; five children.

- viii Thomas, b. Mar. 28, 1801; d. Bridgewater, Mich., Apr. 10, 1877. Twice mar.; 6 children.
- ix Electa, b. Apr. 4, 1803; d. Aug. 29, 1851, unm.
- x Calvin, b. Mar. 25, 1805; d. North Fairfield, Ohio, Oct. 17, 1865. Twice mar.; 5 children.
- xi Lucy, b. Apr. 11, 1809; d. Columbia, Mich., Apr. 2, 1903; m.; 8 children.
- xii Huldah, b. Nov. 10, 1811; d. Groton, N. Y., Jan. 25, 1883; m.; 4 children.
- xiii Chloe Ann, b. Apr. 28, 1813; d. Moravia, N. Y., Jan. 3, 1890; m. twice; one child.

1 LAZELL, Robert<sup>5</sup> (Daniel<sup>4</sup>, Isaac<sup>3</sup>, Isaac<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), was b. abt. 1764; d. in Buck., July 25, 1826, ae. 62 yrs. He served as selectman several years, and as representative in 1826. He m. at Ashfield, Mar. 16, 1786, Elizabeth, dau. Daniel and Anne (Pember) Warner. She was b. in Stafford, Conn., June 7, 1764; d. Apr. 21, 1856. Children, order approximately:

- i Pamela, b. Dec. —, 1786; m. May 26, 1814, Enos Taylor of Buckland. She d. Sept. 5, 1870.
  - ii Marshall, m. Jan. 1, 1817, Lucinda, dau. of Lemuel and Abigail (White) Taylor; they rem. to Weston, Lewis Co., Va., where he d. His widow returned to Buck. where she d. Jan. 16, 1877. Two children: 1. Marshall, d. Virginia. 2. Lucinda, d. Virginia.
  - iii Roxana, m. Jan. 8, 1818, Willis Carter of Buckland. She d. at Freedonia, N. Y., Dec. 21, 1874. No living descendants.
  - iv Hiram, b. Ashfield, May 16, 1793; m. Sept. 28, 1817, Esther, dau. of Jesse and Mary (Rhodes) Pratt, at which time he was of Chautauqua, N. Y.
  - v Lucy, d. Aug. 15, 1828, ae. 29 or 31 yrs.
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- vi Alva, b. July 11, 1799.
  - vii Armenia, b. May 21, 1801; m. Sept. 21, 1820, Lt. George Mayhew.
  - viii Philip, b. May 28, 1804; rem. to Stockton, N. Y., where he d. Nov. 10, 1893.
  - ix Betsey Elizabeth, b. May —, 1806; m. Oct. 3, 1829, Alpheus Brooks, Jr. She d. in Northampton, Oct. 30, 1886.



## 3 x Robert, b. abt. 1808.

2 Alva, s. of Robert, Sr.(1), b. July 11, 1799; d. Oct. 26, 1865 in Dewittville, N. Y. Selectman, overseer of the poor, a soldier in the War of 1812. He m. Sept. 21, 1820, Olive, dau. of Jabez Brooks. She d. Stockton, N. Y., Jan. 1, 1839; m. (2) Mrs. Agnes Story, dau. Abraham and Rachel Burwell, by whom he had three children. Children, seven b. in Buck.:

- i Son, b. May 2, 1823; d. May 3, 1823.
- ii Marshall, b. Aug. 2, 1824; d. Nov. 17, 1826.
- iii Hannah Brooks, Jan. 31, 1827; m. Charles Henry Smith, no chil.; res. Sinclairville, N. Y. in 1899. This family record was obtained from her by W. O. Taylor.
- iv Lucy, b. Mar. 30, 1829; drowned at Stockton, N. Y., Sept. 3, 1852.
- v Pamelia, b. Feb. 17, 1831; res. Stockton, N. Y.; m. (1) Nov. 13, 1849 at Fredonia, N. Y., Winslow Burdick; (2) Nov. 12, 1895, George W. Carr, at Stockton, N. Y.
- vi Edwin, b. Apr. 27, 1833; d. Oct. 6, 1833.
- vii Celia, b. Sept. 15, 1834; drowned also Sept. 3, 1852 at Stockton.
- viii Roxana, b. in Stockton, N. Y., Jan. 10, 1837; d. Mar. 12, 1837.

Three children, b. at Stockton by second wife.

3 Robert, Jr., s. of Robert, Sr.(1), b. abt. 1808 in Buck., where he lived until after 1854. Selectman for several terms; d. Oct. 19, 1865 in Jamestown, N. Y.; m. Olive Cadwell or Caldwell. Children:

- i Sarah Ellen, b. Chatauqua, N. Y., Dec. 22, 1834; m. in Buck., Jan. 15, 1854, a cousin, Biram<sup>7</sup> Lazell.
- ii Eveline, m. Samuel Weaver.
- iii Armenia Elizabeth, d. Feb. 24, 1843, ae. 3 yrs., 9 m.
- iv Royal Carter, d. Feb. 26, 1843, ae. 1 yr., 6 m.
- v Robert —, b. July 26, 1843.
- vi John Ashley, b. July 22, 1848.

LEE, Rev. John W., was a Methodist minister in Buckland in 1862. Having served eight years in the British Army, he raised

a Company for service in the Civil War and was made its Captain. He was b. (by his military record) about 1822.

LEE, Lucretia, a widow of Middletown, Conn., d. in Buck., Jan. 1, 1823, ae. 59 yrs.

LEE, Samuel, was resident here in 1822.

LEE, Walter A., a telegrapher, s. of Samuel and Marion, b. in New York state; m. Oct. 29, 1882, Cora A. Stanford of Rowe. Children:

- i Ethelin, b. Nov. 17, 1883.
- ii Walter H., b. Dec. 19, 1885.
- iii Ruth A., b. July 10, 1887.
- iv Grace, b. June 24, 1888; d. July 24, 1888.

LEONARD, Calvin, here in 1790 with his family of one female and one male over sixteen. By church record, Calvin Leonard and Sally Temple, both of Buckland were married Aug. 15, 1796. Whether this was a second marriage of this Calvin, or that of a son by the same name, is unknown. The name of Calvin Leonard appears on the voting list of 1806.

LEONARD, Edward, s. of Michael and Ellen, b. at Roxbury; m. June 9, 1898, at Buck., Margaret C., dau. of Patrick and Ellen (Morrissy) Kennedy of Buckland. He was then a contractor. Children:

- i Edward, b. Apr. 10, 1899.
- ii Helen G., b. Nov. 5, 1900.

LEONARD, Ichabod, m. Oct. 15, 1794, Sally Stearns, both of Buck. (ch. r.)

LEONARD, Josiah, here in 1790 with a family of one male under sixteen and one female. His wife was perhaps Lurany, as Josiah and Lurany Leonard both joined the first Baptist church in 1789.

LEONARD, Nathaniel, a Revolutionary soldier, d. here, July 4, 1833, ae. 82 yrs. (Greenfield Gazette and Courier.)

LEONARD, Pamela, was received into the church in Buck. from Sunderland in 1835; returned to Sunderland in 1853 and d. in 1858, ae. 76 yrs.

LEONARD, Seth, was pub. with Electa Davis, Dec. 19, 1818. His name appears as a voter in 1822.

LEONARD, Ziba, d. June 7, 1845, ae. 89 yrs. His wife, Chloe, d. Aug. 10, 1840, 76 yrs. Both were bapt. and received into the Baptist church, Feb. 19, 1789. Children:

- i Betsey, bapt. Feb. 19, 1789; d. Oct. 7, 1806, ae. 20 yrs.
- ii Eliphalet, bapt. Feb. 19, 1789.
- iii Ruana, bapt. Feb. 19, 1789.
- iv Ziba, bapt. May 27, 1790.
- v Ziba, bapt. Oct. 6, 1793; res. Ashfield; m. Oct. 12, 1829, Philomela Cook. She was b. Nov. 18, 1797; d. Jan. 28, 1872.
- vi Bezaleel, bapt. June 14, 1795.
- vii Reuel, bapt. July 14, 1799.
- viii Reumah, d. July 26, 1820, ae. 20 yrs.
- ix Dau., bapt. Dec. 22, 1805.

LESTER, Albert, was in town in 1900.

LIDDY, Anthony, deceased before July 7, 1868; m. Ellen —, who m. (2) Michael Collins. This Liddy family per. rem. to Deerfield. Children:

- i Bridget, b. Nov. 4, 1857.
- ii John, b. Sept. 10, 1859.
- iii William, b. Mar. 3, 1862.
- iv Mary Ellen, b. June 12, 1864.

1 LILLY, Albert, s. of Samuel of Ashfield, m. (1) Helen A., dau. of Joshua U., and Sarah Kenney, b. in Worthington; d. in Buck., Apr. 24, 1879, ae. 30 yrs.; m. (2) May 3, 1881, Jennie M., dau. of Joseph F., and Lucy Ward. She was b. July 8, 1864. Children:

- i Bertha May, d. Aug. 5, 1873, ae. 3 yrs.
- ii Ralph Albert, b. Mar. 3, 1874; d. Nov. 7, 1881.
- iii Clifford Norman, b. Nov. 9, 1881.
- iv Clarence A., b. Oct. 30, 1883.

2 v Earl Ward, b. Oct. 6, 1886 in Leeds.

2 Earl Ward, s. of Albert(1), b. in Leeds, Oct. 6, 1886; m. Jan. 1, 1909, Myrtle E., dau. of William and Lucy (Hall) Barrus, b. in Goshen. Children:

- i Rena Evelyn, b. Aug. 3, 1909.
- ii Clarence Albert, b. July 31, 1910.
- iii Morris Elwin, b. June 5, 1915.



LILLY, Alvah, Rev., b. in Ashfield, Dec. 19, 1797; rem. to Buck. in 1805, with his parents, where they remained about four years, going in 1809 to Hawley, afterwards to Chenango Co. N. Y., and in 1844 to Pewaukee, Mich.

LILLY, Mrs. Emily A., m. Feb. 8, 1874, Allen A. Murdock, both of Buck.

LINDSEY, Anna, Samuel, Priscilla, Anna, Jr., Zilpha, Eunice and Stephen, all joined the first Baptist church in 1789.

LINDSEY, Eliab, was here in 1790, with family of one male over sixteen, three under, and six females.

LINDSEY, Samuel, joined church, 1789. In 1790 his family comprised two males under sixteen and three females.

LINDSEY, Stephen, here in 1790. Family of one male under sixteen, two females.

LITTLEJOHN, Ernest, s. of Otis and Betsey (Goodell), b. in Monroe; m. Sept. 16, 1891, Sadie E., dau. of Edward Ritchie. She d. July 28, 1896, ac. 29 yrs. Children, b. Buckland.

i Wilfred Ritchie, b. Sept. 2, 1892.

ii Edward Raymond, b. Aug. 7, 1894; d. Sept. 26, 1895.

LITTLEJOHN, Halbert, s. of Otis and Betsey, and brother of Ernest above, b. Monroe; m. Dec. 13, 1881, Lena May, dau. of Charles and Sarah Shaw of Buck. Children:

i Viola Grace, b. Nov. 7, 1882; d. Apr. 7, 1886.

ii Otis Hallie, b. Sept. 23, 1884; d. Apr. 8, 1886.

iii Annie S., b. Jan. 6, 1887; d. Aug. 4, 1888.

LITTLEJOHN, Herbert P., s. of Otis and Betsey, brother of Ernest and Halbert above, b. Monroe; was a locomotive engineer living at North Adams. He and the two children of his brother, Halbert G., were in a railroad accident at Deerfield, Apr. 7, 1886, and d. in Buck. the following day.

LOCKE, Edwin, and wife Martha, were missionaries at the Sandwich Islands, where they died when their eldest daughter Lucy was about five years old. Children:

i Alexander Browne.

ii Lucy Maria, m. Rev. E. Harmon of Winchester, N. H., and d. June 1, 1871.

iii Martha Laurens.

The above children were brought back to this country and adopted by Rev. Asa B. Smith and wife and their names changed to Smith. Rev. Smith sett. in Buck. after his return from the Islands.

LOCKE, John, s. of John and Lucy (Wilder) Locke, b. Lancaster; m. 1782, Esther Phelps. She was b. Dec. 2, 1766. They rem. to Buck. about 1792 and thence in 1802 to Sempronius, N. Y. Children:

- i Esther, b. Apr. 8, 1787.
- ii Lucy, b. Dec. 17, 1789 in Lancaster.
- iii Betsey, b. Feb. 11, 1793, prob. in Buck.
- iv John, b. Dec. 5, 1794; res. Lodi, N. Y.
- v David, b. July 13, 1797.
- vi Mary, b. Feb. 19, 1799; m. Chauncey Wright.
- vii James, b. Jan. 6, 1802.
- viii Henry W., b. Jan. 22, 1805; m. Temperance Wood.

LOOMIS, Abigail W., m. in Halifax, Vt., July 20, 1838, Timothy Dole of Charlemont.

LORD, Rev. Charles, a member of the school committee in 1862-3-4. Lived in Madison, Wis. and East Hampton, Mass., before coming to Buckland; d. Mar. 29, 1872, ae. 56 yrs.; m. Clarissa——. Children:

- i Sarah D., m. R. B. Hall of New York City.
- ii Henry C.

LOWELL, Charles W., s. of Reuben W. and Mary (Gilbert). His place of birth as given on the death record, was Meridan, Conn.; elsewhere as at Holyoke, and in Canada. He was an insurance agent, d. Dec. 1, 1912, ae. 58 yrs.; m. Evelyn Franklin. Children:

- i Allen R., b. Oct. 1, 1896.
- ii Frederick W., b. Oct. 31, 1898.
- iii Lillian L., b. Aug. 29, 1902.
- iv Myrtle E., b. Mar. 23, 1904; m. Nov. 3, 1923, Richard G. Purrington.
- v Doris M. or Luella, name given both ways, b. Dec. 30, 1905.
- vi Ella E., b. May 25, 1908.

LUSCOMB, John, was a voter here in 1806.

LYON, Aaron, Jr., s. of Aaron of Sturbridge, where he was b. Dec. 14, 1757; was a Revolutionary soldier; res. Ashfield and Buck., dying at the latter place, Dec. 21, 1802, ae. 45; m. Sept. 2, 1784, Jemima, dau. of Dea. Isaac and Jemima (Smith) Shepard. She was b. Jan. 25, 1765; d. Nov. 25, 1840. Her second husband was Dea. Jonathan Taylor. Children:

- i Electa, b. Aug. 23, 1785; m. William Moore, rem. to Stockton, N. Y.
- ii Jemima, b. May 29, 1787; m. Dec. 20, 1811, Elisha Wing.
- iii Aaron, b. July 1, 1789; rem. to Stockton, N. Y.; d. Morgantown, W. Va., 1870.
- iv Ezra, b. Oct. 25, 1791; d. Aug. 13, 1796.
- v Lovina, b. Oct. 15, 1794; m. Daniel Putnam, Mar. 31, 1818; d. Sept. 1832.
- vi Mary, b. Feb. 28, 1797; d. So. Hadley, Mar. 5, 1849. The founder of Mount Holyoke College. See the main part of this work for full account of her life.
- vii Rosina, b. May 6, 1799; m. Dr. Waterman Ellsworth.
- viii Freelove, b. Aug. 13, 1801; m. her brother-in-law, Elisha Wing.

LYON, Nathan, brother of Aaron above, s. of Aaron, b. Sturbridge, served in the Revolutionary War, also in the War of 1812. Was living in Buckland in 1790, with a family of two males under sixteen, and four females. His name is on the voting list of 1806.

1 MACHER, Aloys, b. Prussia; d. in Buck., Oct. 12, 1886, ae. 58 yrs.; m. Mary or Maia, dau. of Philip Ott. She d. in Buckland, Jan. 19, 1881, ae. 50 yrs. Children:

- i Frederick P., b. Oct. 25, 1870; d. Sept. 12, 1871.

2 ii William Augustus, b. Buckland.

2 William Augustus, s. of Aloys(1), b. in Buck., where he d. June 20, 1921, ae. 62 yrs.; m. Oct. 17, 1882, Amelia, dau. of Christian and Christina Hillebrandt, b. in Greenfield; d. Jan. 30, 1922. Had:

- i Frederick William, b. Nov. 3, 1883; res. Springfield.



MADISON, Philip. The 1790 Census lists him as of Buck. with family of two females.

MALLORY, Nirum (perhaps from Plainfield), b. Mar. 5, 1766; d. May 31, 1856; m. (1) Hannah Richmond. She was b. Aug. 20, 1768; d. Aug. 21, 1818; m. (2) Sarah Eames. She was b. Sept. 13, 1775; d. Oct. 9, 1851. Children:

- i Huldah, b. Dec. 29, 1788.
- ii Lucy, b. July 4, 1790.
- iii Hannah, b. Jan. 22, 1792.
- iv Laura, b. June 18, 1793.
- v Vesta, b. Feb. 1, 1795.
- vi Cyrus, b. Aug. 19, 1796; d. Jan. 20, 1819.
- vii Polly, b. Apr. 8, 1798.
- viii Otis, b. Sept. 23, 1799.
- ix Anna, b. Jan. 19, 1801.
- x Ammarillous, b. Apr. 26, 1802.
- xi Sally, b. June 4, 1804; d. Oct. 12, 1831.
- xii Nirum, b. May 24, 1806.
- xiii Hannah, b. Jan. 13, 1808.
- 2 xiv Richmond, b. Oct. 24, 1810.
- xv Ansel, b. May 19, 1813.

2 Richmond, s. of Nirum(1), b. Oct. 24, 1810; m. Almeda, dau. of James and Abigail Clark. She was b. Dec. 25, 1811; d. May 18, 1882. Children:

- i Amelia, b. Sept. 11, 1831.
- ii Climena, b. Oct. 19, 1834; m. June 13, 1861, Peter M. Goddard; she d. Jan. 26, 1864, ae. 29 yrs. They had a son, b. July 7, 1862.
- iii Marietta, b. Nov. 11, 1837; m. Ambrose Stone; d. Dec. 17, 1913.
- 3 iv Erwin T., b. Apr. 2, 1841.

3 Erwin T., s. of Richmond(2), b. Apr. 2, 1841, selectman, 1900-1901, now res. Shelburne Falls. He m. (1) May 22, 1867, Mary J., dau. of Oswin Johnson. She was b. July 14, 1846; d. Aug. 7, 1879 at Hart, Mich., where the family lived for some years. He m. (2) Aug. 17, 1887, Margaret, dau. of James W. and Jane (Allis) Sprague. She d. Apr. 20, 1923, ae. 70 yrs. Children:

- i Frank Erwin, b. Sept. 1, 1869; res. Buckland, unm.

MALLORY, F. R., m. June 23, 1864, Abbie C. Jones of Colrain.  
1 MANN, Hugo, b. at Dovenberg, Germany, where he received his education; came as a young man to America, settling first at Greenfield, then lived for a time in New York City, but returned to Greenfield, and about 1859 removed to Buck. He was chairman of the Buckland school committee for thirteen years, and had represented the town in the Legislature. He d. at Buckland, June 18, 1907, ae. 69 yrs.; m. Barbara Elizabeth Schieding. She was b. in Germany; d. in Buck., Aug. 1, 1926, ae. 88 yrs. Children:

i Albert W., d. Dec. 24, 1930; m. (1) May 22, 1884, Lucy M., dau. of Frederick and Elizabeth Boehmer; m. (2) June 23, 1920, Lena, dau. of Christian and Anna Schontag of Buckland. He d. Dec. 24, 1930.

ii Hugo S., res. Denver, Col.

2 iii Fred C.

3 iv William L.

v Frank E., b. Jan. 17, 1871; d. Dec. 24, 1873.

vi Minnie E., b. Mar. 29, 1875; m. Ernest A. Sweet of Gt. Barrington, Dec. 31, 1901, res. San Diego, Cal.

vii Louis B., b. Feb. 1, 1877; m. Dorothy M. Covell, June 4, 1897, res. Shelburne Falls.

2 Fred C., s. of Hugo(1), b. —; m. Dec. 24, 1887, Lizzie L., dau. of James and Minerva O. Learmont. He was a telegrapher, res. Buckland and Montague, deceased. Children, b. at Buck.:

i Edna W., b. Nov. 18, 1888; res. Honolulu, Hawaii.

ii Victor L., b. 1893; res. San Francisco, Cal.

iii Esther Florence, b. Aug. 1, 1895; res. Montague.

iv Francis E.; res. Bloomfield, Conn.

3 William L., s. of Hugo(1), b. Buck.; m. Annie A. Thornily, who was a native of New York State. He resides Shelburne Falls. Had:

i Son, b. in Buck., Dec. 26, 1890.

MANTOR, Caroline, d. Aug. 14, 1868, ae. 26 yrs.

MANTOR, James, of Hawley, m. (1) Rebecca —; m. (2) Dec. 7, 1808, Gratia, dau. of Samuel and Esther (White) Taylor. She was b. Aug. 7, 1778. Children:

- 2
  - i Francis M.
  - ii Abigail W.
  - iii Moses W., b. July 26, 1811; d. Apr. 1830.
  - iv Gratia Rebecca, b. Aug. 29, 1814.
  - v Samuel James, b. Nov. 9, 1818; m. Apr. 4, 1838, Elizabeth Howes; rem. to Kansas.

2 Francis M., s. of James and Rebecca, b. in Hawley; d. Aug. 6, 1878; ae. 75; m. (1) July 12, 1832, Mahala Maynard; m. (2) Feb. 6, 1871, Mrs. Elmina S. Wight, dau. of Isaac and Sarah Shepard of Ashfield. She d. Mar. 23, 1883. Children:

- i Martha W., b. July 28, 1833; m. Elijah Field of Buckland; d. Nov. 13, 1891, ae. 58 yrs.
  - ii Moses M., b. Apr. 1835; res. Charlemont.
  - iii Alfred L., b. Sept. 8, 1836; killed at the battle of Petersburg, Va., May 6, 1864.
  - iv Fidelia T., b. Aug. 5, 1838; m. Jan. 1, 1861, Henry G. Howes of Ashfield.
- 3
  - v Miller L.
  - vi Mahala Ann, m. Jan. 31, 1862, William E. Hartwell; d. Jan. 10, 1911, ae. 70 yrs.
  - vii Francis W., b. May 28, 1844; d. in Washington, D. C. in 1862.

3 Miller L., s. of Francis(2); m. Feb. 13, 1872, Eliza V., Brackett. Children:

- i Minnie L., b. Mar. 26, 1877; d. 1934; m. Dec. 24, 1902, Charles H. Ashley of Charlemont.
- ii Maud L., b. Nov. 9, 1884; m. Aug. 23, 1906, William E. Gleason of Heath; m. (2) William Fairbanks of Heath; res. Heath.

1 MARCH, Lucas, b. in Germany; came to America in 1853, lived in Greenfield for seven years, went to Shelburne Falls in 1860 and worked for the Lamson Goodnow Co. for thirty-five years. Retiring, he moved to Conway where he died Nov. 17, 1880. He m. Mary Anna, dau. of John G. Witzeman, who was b. in Germany, and d. in Buckland, Oct. 29, 1907, ae. 77 yrs. Children:

- 2
  - i Lucas, b. in Wortemburg, Germany, Dec. 22, 1852.



- 3    ii John G., b. in Greenfield.  
      iii Mary A., b. in Greenfield; m. May 16, 1878, Albert Amstein, of Buck.
- 2 Lucas, s. of Lucas(1), b. in Wortemburg, Germany, Dec. 22, 1852; res. Shelburne Falls. He m. June 24, 1872, Eva A., dau. of Ephraim and Martha Johnson of Shelburne Falls, who d. Dec. 12, 1931. Children:
- i Allen Lucas, b. in Shelburne, Oct. 12, 1874; served as selectman. His second wife was Jennie B., dau. of Daniel and Mary (Thieringer) Cramer.  
      ii Grace M., b. in Shelburne, Jan. 12, 1877; m. S. B. Dickerman, lives Ayer.  
      iii Martha L., b. in Orange, Aug. 19, 1880; m. Oct. 10, 1906, Almon B. Hale.  
      iv John, b. in Conway, Dec. 6, 1878.  
      v William A., b. in Conway, Mar. 1, 1882; m. Dec. 20, 1908, Gertrude, dau. of Simon and Ida Schmidt. Now living in Springfield.
- 4    vi Robert A., b. in Ashfield, Aug. 16, 1886.  
      vii Harold D., b. in Ashfield, Feb. 15, 1890; now in New York City.  
      viii Reuben, b. Ashfield, Oct. 5, 1891; m. Amy Bardwell; res. Shelburne Falls.  
      ix Gretchen, b. Ashfield, Apr. 19, 1894; m. George Mirick.  
      x Helen, b. Ashfield, Dec. 17, 1895; m. Francis Sullivan; res. Bloomfield, Ill.
- 3 John G., s. of Lucas(1), b. Greenfield; m. Alice, dau. of George and Martha (Sanderson) Hirst, she was b. in England; d. Nov. 21, 1916, ae. 61 yrs. Children:
- i Nettie, b. Dec. 13, 1876; unm., res. Buck.  
      ii Anna, b. Nov. 25, 1877; d. Feb. 11, 1878.  
      iii Louis, b. Aug. 13, 1879; unm.; res. Buck.  
      iv George Thomas, b. Oct. 16, 1881; m. Dec. 24, 1911, Matilda Margaret, dau. of Jacob and Rosa Rist.  
      v John Walter, b. Apr. 22, 1889; d. May 5, 1889.  
      vi Mary Idabelle, b. June 11, 1890; m. July 10, 1916, Earl W. Gleason, a civil engineer of Detroit, Mich. Now residing in California.

4 Robert A., s. of Lucas(2), b. in Ashfield; res. Buck.; m. July 20, 1910, Mrs. Anna, widow of William Touseal, dau. of Christian and Rosa (Bickel) Winterhalder. Children:

- 5 i Frederick W., b. Nov. 9, 1905.
- ii Robert L., b. June 9, 1911.
- iii Roderick J., b. Sept. 25, 1912.

5 Frederick W., s. of Robert(4), b. Nov. 9, 1905; m. May 29, 1926, Mrs. Florence L. McNamara of Buckland. Children:

- i Irene L. McNamara (adopted), b. in Providence, R. I., June 15, 1923.
- ii James, b. Dec. 24, 1928.

MARCH, Andrew, brother of Lucas(1) and John G., b. Germany; d. May 6, 1873, ae. 53 yrs.; m. Elizabeth Geiger; she m. (2) — Everson. Children:

- i Carrie, b. Germany; m. Armandus Voetsch; d. in Buckland, Feb. 21, 1912, ae. 62 yrs.
- ii Christian, m. Oct. 9, 1875, Augusta Schlage; res. at New Britain, Conn., for a time. He d. Aug. 7, 1887, ae. 36 yrs. His widow m. (2) John W. Roach. Had: Carrie March, b. Apr. 22, 1877; m. Apr. 30, 1900, Arthur V. Twiss of Shelburne.

MARCH, John G., brother of Lucas(1) and Andrew. His will was probated Nov. 1, 1859. His wife's name is given as Anna Maria and also Mary. She m. (2) before May 7, 1860, — Schemp. Had:

- i John G., posthumous; returned to Germany and was living in 1931.

The following are distantly connected with the preceding families, the immediate relationship being among them in Germany.

MARCH George, b. in Germany; m. in Buckland, Feb. 24, 1875, Mary, dau. of Leonard and Mary Traub, b. in Greenfield. Had:

- i Lilla, b. May 19, 1875.

MARCH Ernest, was a voter here in 1900.

MARCH, Louis, was a voter here in 1900. Had:

- i Daughter, b. Dec. 16, 1872.

MARCH, Rose, dau. of William H. and Maria, b. in Buck.; d. Oct. 12, 1893, ae. 23 yrs., unm.

MARCH William, had:

- i Daughter, b. Aug. 29, 1872.

MARCH William H., b. Germany; m. Mary Zimmerman. Had:

- i Hallie L., b. Mar. 20, 1882.

MARCH, William H., s. of Andrew and Anna M. (Luck), d. in Buck., Feb. 23, 1927, ae. 81 yrs.; m. Mary Ann Winterhalder (also given Marie W.), dau. of Lawrence Winterhalder, b. in Germany; d. in Buckland, Sept. 10, 1924, ae. 82 yrs. Children:

- i William H., b. Buckland, Feb. 28, 1871; d. Sept. 15, 1874.
- ii Clara M., b. 1873; m. June 1, 1893, William S. Mills.
- iii Lilla, b. Mar. 30, 1874.
- iv Henry H., b. Oct. 29, 1877; d. Mar. 26, 1879.
- v Son, b. Nov. 18, 1879.
- vi Lillian B., m. Mar. 30, 1895, Frederick A. James; res. Los Angeles, Cal.
- vii Andrew H., m. Oct. 12, 1909, Maud S., dau. of Edward and Lizzie Flather of Bridgeport, Conn.
- viii Elizabeth, m. Brigham, res. Colrain.
- ix Hal L., res. Brattleboro, Vt.

1 MARSHALL, Frank, s. of John and Levina, b. in England; m. Dec. 31, 1890, Matilda, dau. of Michael and Christina Schontag. She was b. in Buck.; d. Mar. 28, 1930, ae. 60 yrs. Children:

- i Gertrude L., b. Apr. 2, 1892; d. Jan. 14, 1893.
- 2 ii George F., b. Apr. 30, 1893.

2 George F., s. of Frank(1), b. in Buckland, Apr. 30, 1893; m. Nov. 2, 1915, Eleanor M., dau. of Joseph and Lucy (Hobson) Martin. Had:

- i Ruth, b. Jan. 14, 1918; d. Mar. 3, 1919.

MARSHALL, Herbert, s. of John and Levina, b. Sheffield, England; m. Nov. 8, 1905, Mary Schmidt, dau. of Jacob and Anna (Koch) of Buckland. Children:

- i Marion L., b. Nov. 19, 1906.
- ii Gertrude E., b. Apr. 28, 1908.



MARSHALL, John, s. of Israel and Mary N. (Procter), b. in England; d. in Buck., Oct. 25, 1898, ae. 70 yrs.

MARSHALL, Thomas, s. of John and Levina, b. in Sheffield, England; d. in Buckland, June 28, 1926, ae. 62 yrs.

MARSHALL, Thomas, was in Buck. in 1900; m. Rose L. ——. Had:

- i Bertha L., b. in England; m. Dec. 23, 1907, Farewell Pfersick of Buck.

MARTIN, Eliza Gardner, b. in Buck., May 22, 1813; d. June 12, 1872; m. Nov. 22, 1837, Obed Daniels of Conway.

MARTIN, George W., b. in Canada, a blacksmith by trade; was in Buck. in 1900; m. Feb. 28, 1900, Rose E. Haley, b. in Shelburne. Child:

- i Kenneth Leroy, b. Mar. 27, 1904; m. Sept. 23, 1925, Dorothy R., dau. of Halbert C., and Alice Dodge, a teacher in Buck.

1 MARTIN, Joseph, lived and d. in England; m. Mary Morton who came with her children to America and Buck. Children:

- 2 i William.
- 3 ii Joseph.
- 4 iii Thomas.
- 5 iv James F., b. Jan. 12, 1860.
- 6 v John.

2 William, s. of Joseph(1), b. in England; m. Harriet Wendell. Children:

- 7 i Joseph, b. in Sheffield, Eng.
- ii Annie, m. George Burley. He d. — 18, 1926, ae. 61 yrs.
- iii Emily, m. Charles Thackary; d. in Buck. June 25, 1922, ae. 47 yrs.
- iv Thomas.
- v John.
- vi James.
- 8 vii William L.

3 Joseph, s. of Joseph and Mary (Morton), b. in Sheffield, Eng.; d. July 6, 1903; m. Martha, dau. of Thomas and Ann (Curtis)

Spencer, b. also in England. She d. in Buck., Aug. 7, 1907, ae. 55 yrs. Children:

- i Martha, b. in Northampton; d. July 15, 1877, ae. 4 yrs.
- ii Joseph William, b. in Hanover, Conn.; d. in Buck., Aug. 17, 1877, ae. 1 yr.
- iii James, b. Buck., Oct. 14, 1877; d. Sept. 30, 1878.
- iv Florence Anna, b. Oct. 4, 1879; d. Nov. 10, 1899.
- 9 v John, b. Oct. 18, 1881.
- 10 vi William, b. Oct. 30, 1883.
- vii Grace E., b. Aug. 24, 1885; m. Clarence Spencer; res. Buck.
- viii Grover C., b. Apr. 15, 1887.
- 11 ix Raymond, b. June 15, 1888.
- x Joseph Wilfred, b. Sept. 15, 1890.
- xi Son, b. Nov. 10; d. Nov. 12, 1894.

4 Thomas, s. of Joseph(1) and Mary (Morton), was a cutler; d. in Northampton; m. Hannah Bingley. Children:

- i May Emma.
- ii Nelson.
- iii Sarah, b. at Farmington, Conn., Apr. 10, 1881.
- iv Gertie, b. at Buck., Apr. 29, 1883.
- v George.
- vi Violetta.
- vii Joseph.

5 James F., s. of Joseph(1) and Mary (Morton), b. Sheffield, England, Jan. 12, 1860; d. in Buck., May 7, 1911; m. Oct. 25, 1883, Rebena B., dau. of George and Sarah Rowland of Buck. She was b. Oct. 1, 1857, now resides on Ashfield St. Child:

- i George Rowland, b. Dec. 13, 1884; res. Summit, N. J.; connected with the circuit department of the Bell Telephone Co.

6 John, s. of Joseph and Mary (Morton), b. England; m. Mary Connor. Had:

- i Emma, b. Nov. 21, 1882.

7 Joseph, s. of William(2) and Harriet Wendell, b. in Sheffield, England; m. Lucy Hobson. Children, all but Florence b. in England:

- i Ada, m. Alvin F. Lanfair, June 30, 1909; res. Elm Street.
- ii Arthur.
- iii Eleanor M., m. George F. Marshall, Nov. 2, 1915.
- iv Edward (or Edwin), m. Sept. 30, 1926, Ruby J., dau. of Erwin Tinney of Charlemont.
- v Doris, m. Earl Carter.
- vi Florence E., b. Buck., Nov. 2, 1904; m. Nov. 10, 1922, Roland Adair Wells, who was b. in Conway.

8 William L., s. of William(2) and Harriet (Wendell). Lives Conway St. He m. Sarah A., dau. of James and Annie Warburton, b. in Manchester, Eng. She d. in Buck., Mar. 3, 1926, ae. 49 yrs. Children:

- i Lillian, b. Oct. 7, 1897; m. July 27, 1916, Everett Charles Baker; res. Conway St.
- ii William L., d. July 15, 1909, ae. 9 yrs.
- iii Albert, d. aged 5 yrs.
- iv John, m.; res. Conway St.
- v James, d. Aug. 26, 1906, ae. 1 yr.
- vi Myrtle W., b. Nov. 22, 1906.
- vii Leonard W., b. Dec. 15, 1909.
- viii Alan, b. May 15, 1911; res. Buck.
- ix Charles, b. July 18, 1913.
- x Dorothy, b. Sept. 13, 1915.
- xi Phyllis, b. June 29, 1917.

9 John, s. of Joseph(3), b. Oct. 18, 1881; m. Bertha, dau. of William Needham. Children:

- i Florence L., b. Aug. 15, 1902.
- ii Elsie May, b. May 15, 1904; m. Aug. 12, 1926, John W. Lawless of Buck.
- iii Ralph Raymond, b. Sept. 21, 1905.

10 William, s. of Joseph(3) and Martha (Spencer), b. in Buck., Oct. 30, 1883; m. Olive M., dau. of George and Eunice (Barber) Nichols of Buck. Children:

- i Son, b. Apr. 10, 1910.
- ii Irene, b. July 7, 1912.
- iii Mildred, b. Apr. 11, 1921; d. Apr. 28, 1921.



11 Raymond, s. of Joseph(3) and Martha (Spencer), b. June 15, 1888; m. Nellie M. Frost, who was b. in Connecticut. Children:

- i Ronald Raymond, b. Dec. 30, 1913; d. Jan. 2, 1914.
- ii Son, b. Sept. 12, 1915.
- iii Son, b. Sept. 15, 1918.

MATTHEWSON, Philip, was selectman in 1871.

MAY, Oliver. In deeds and bonds of Samuel and Lemuel Taylor in 1780, he is spoken of as "Captain May." He was a Revolutionary soldier; d. June 5, 1845, ae. 89 yrs. (Grave stone). A member of the first and second Baptist churches, as was also an Alice and Sarah May. He m. Sarah, dau. of Benjamin and Elizabeth (Rice) Pulsifer of Conway. She was b. in 1760; d. Feb. 19, 1825, ae. 65 yrs. "He lived on the road from William Putnam's west, to the mill last owned by Horace Taylor." His daughter was probably Alice who joined the church in 1828.

MAYER, see also MEYER, MEYERS, George L., b. in Greenfield, s. of Lenhardt and Elizabeth (Fritz) Mayer; came to Buckland about 1895. He m. in Shelburne, Dec. 9, 1913, Ellen May, dau. of Joseph R., and Ellen M. Allen. Children:

- i Elizabeth M., b. June 20, 1916, in Shelburne; d. June 30, 1916.
- ii Joseph L., b. Mar. 20, 1918, in Shelburne.
- iii George A., b. Nov. 11, 1919, in Buck.

MAYERS, Fred G., m. Elizabeth Eppler, b. in Greenfield; is a farmer. Children:

- i Freddie, d. Mar. 5, 1884, ae. 10 mos.
- ii Minnie Elizabeth, b. 1889; m. June 25, 1914, Donat J. Auge.
- iii Emma Margaret, b. Oct. 5, 1895.
- iv Kathrina, d. June 26, 1906, ae. 19 yrs.

MAYNARD, Daniel, had:

- i Tryphena, who d. Feb. 17, 1851, ae. 22 yrs.
- ii Hannah R., m. Nov. 28, 1845, Augustine W. Phillips.

1 MAYNARD, Eli C., b. 1837, a son of Daniel and Hannah, secretary of the Farmer's Club; school committee; a man greatly respected. He was killed on the R. R. crossing near the Buck-

land station, Oct. 17, 1902, ae. 65 yrs.; m. Sarah N., dau. of Edmund P., and Nancy Sherwin. She was b. 1841; d. June 7 or 8, 1923. Children:

- i Ella T., b. 1859; d. Aug. 12, 1874, ae. 14 yrs.
- 2 ii Edmund Hamlin, b. June 22, 1862.
- iii Harry Lincoln, b. Oct. 29, 1864; res. Greenville, Ill.
- iv Alice Lillian, b. 1883; d. Jan. 4, 1921, unm.

2 Edmund Hamlin, s. of Eli C.(1), b. June 22, 1862; d. Mar. 12, 1930; m. Apr. 30, 1890, Alice R., dau. of Joseph W. and Ellen J. Keach. She was b. in 1871. Children:

- i Merle Edmund, b. Jan. 27, 1894; res. Springfield.
- ii Claude Francis, b. Apr. 21, 1898; m. June 16, 1920, Shirley Rose, dau. of Francis E. Goodrich, b. in Williamsburg; had Ordice Frances, b. Nov. 3, 1920; Res. Springfield.
- iii Esther Alice, b. July 27, 1907; res. Springfield.

1 MAYNARD, Ebenezer, was given the title Captain; m. in Halifax, Vt., Aug. 19, 1829, Cordelia Williams, dau. of Thomas and Ann (Toby) Carter of Buckland and Hawley. She was b. Dec. 6, 1808; d. July 26, 1877. Ebenezer Maynard was postmaster in 1847; town treasurer at least five years; County commissioner four terms; and the last of his life, a merchant at Shelburne Falls. Children:

- i Edwin M., b. Aug. 14, 1830; res. Chicago, Ill.
- ii Henry A., b. Sept. 20, 1831; d. Feb. 5, 1832.
- iii William Hill, b. Nov. 17, 1832.
- iv Henry Gassett, b. Feb. 27, 1835; m. Sophia Brooks, Jan. —, 1860.
- v Otis Riley, b. May 1, 1837.
- vi Preston Cummings, b. Aug. 4, 1839.
- 2 vii Charles Albert, b. Feb. 5, 1842.
- viii Austin Stevens, b. Oct. 5, 1844.
- ix Eliza Isabel, b. Feb. 25, 1847.
- x Jennie Adelaide, b. Sept. 19, 1849; m. Nov. 26, 1872, T. W. Swan of Norwich, Conn.
- xi Lucy Ann, b. Aug. 27, 1851; d. July 19, 1856.

2 Charles Albert, s. of Ebenezer(1), b. Feb. 5, 1842; m. Dec. 28, 1864, Mary B., dau. of William T. Clement of Buckland. Children:

- i Mary A., b. Oct. 13, 1866.
- ii William Clement, b. Apr. 18, 1869; m. Edith Clark.
- iii Helen F., b. July 11, 1872.

MAYNARD, Mary D., m. Sept. 13, 1848, Eliphaz Woodward.

MAYNARD, Tryphena C., dau. of Daniel and Hannah, d. Feb. 7, 1851, ae. 22 yrs.

MAYHEW, George, m. Sept. 21, 1820, Armenia, dau. of Robert Lazell, Sr. Had:

- i George W., b. 1824, at Buckland Four Corners.

1 McINTIRE, Thomas, b. in Wilmington, Del.; d. in Buckland, Dec. 1, 1894, ae. 73 yrs. Member of Co. C, 27 Reg., M. V. M. The name of his first wife is unknown; m. (2) Marion Armenia, dau. of Daniel and Delania (Bennett) Woodward, Nov. 12, 1864. She was b. in Buck., July 20, 1829; d. Feb. 29, 1912. Children:

By first wife the only one known was:

- i Edward, who, in 1907, lived in Bantam, Conn. (Probate rec.)

By second wife:

- ii Minnie M., b. 1869, Readsboro, Vt.; m. Oct. 27, 1891, Charles Nichols; d. Mar. 30, 1915.

- 2 iii Herbert Chandler, b. Readsboro, Vt.

2 Herbert Chandler, s. of Thomas(1), b. in Readsboro, Vt., a carriage painter; d. at Buck., Aug. 29, 1902, ae. 35 yrs.; m. Feb. 22, 1894, Belle J., dau. of Alvan D., and Lydia S. Damon, b. Chesterfield. Had:

- i William Hubert, b. Jan. 10, 1895.

1 McKNIGHT, Parley, b. Charleton; d. May 7, 1871, ae. 69 yrs.; m. Wrexaville W.—, who was b. at Sand Lake, N. Y.; d. in Buck., Jan. 24, 1872, ae. 69 yrs. Child:

- 2 i Schuyler W., b. Whitingham, Vt.

2 Schuyler W., s. of Parley(1), b. Whitingham, Vt.; d. in Buckland, Jan. 7 or 13, 1879, ae. 53 yrs.; was selectman and assessor; m. Nancy A., dau. of Royal and Ruth (Eddy) Smith. She d. Apr. 28, 1894. Children:

- 3 i William C., b. Shelburne, July 29, 1849.



- ii Clifton L., d. Oct. 28, 1927, ac. 67 yrs., unm. In June, 1884 he was appointed by the selectman of Buckland as town clerk and treasurer, to fill out the term of the late R. L. Packard, deceased, and by successive elections, held those offices for more than twenty years. He was also an efficient member of the school committee. During the last years of life he served as assistant postmaster at Shelburne Falls.

3 William C., s. of Schuyler W.(2), b. in Shelburne, July 29, 1849; m. (1) Oct. 5, 1871, Mary E., dau. of William Farnum of Buck. She d. Mar. 13, 1885, ac. 33 yrs.; m. (2), June 6, 1888, Helen A., dau. of Enos and Lydia M. Ware. She d. June 26, 1898. Children:

- 4 i George W., b. Oct. 1, 1872.
- ii Florence M., b. Mar. 5, 1878; m. Nov. 9, 1910, E. Wallace Holman of Winchendon, Vt.

4 George W., s. of William C.(3), b. in Buck., Oct. 1, 1872; d. Feb. 12, 1917; m. Alice F., dau. of Addison P., and Emma (Hicks) Goldthwait. She m. (2) June 24, 1922, Francis L. Phillips of Buckland. Children:

- i Addison C., b. May 28, 1903.
- ii Alice Mary; res. Buck.

McNIGHT, James, and wife, Roby F. Children:

- i Fannie R., m. July 17, 1873, George H. Innis.
- ii Hattie S., m. Oct. 25, 1875, Joseph Smith, b. at DeKalb, N. M.

McNIGHT, Eltheda, m. Dec. 5, 1854, Harry C. Wright of Buck.

McNIGHT, or McNitt, Adam, by the 1790 census had a family here of two males under sixteen and two females. His name is on the voting list in 1806, spelled McNitt, and he was known to have been here in 1814.

McNIGHT, Martha, was here in 1790 as the head of a family which consisted of two males over sixteen, two under, and five females, including the head of the family.

McNITT, James, was pub. with Roba Jones of Buckland, Nov. 27, 1805. She d. at Stockton, N. Y. abt. Jan. 1851. James McNitt was in Buckland in 1832.

McNITT, Patty, of Buckland, m. Nov. 13, 1797, Asa Farnsworth of Guilford, Vt.

McNITT, David, pub. with Jemima Ellis, Oct. 18, 1814.

McNITT, Sally, pub. with Leonard Pike of Whitingham, Vt., Nov. 22, 1806.

MEALUS, Hiram, m. (1) Lestina, dau. of Enos Ware, Dec. 29, 1861. She d. July 25, 1865, ae. 21 yrs.; m. (2) Oct. 4, 1868, Prudence R. Avery of Buck. Child:

i Clifton, b. Sept. 27, 1862; d. June 24, 1863.

MEEHAN, Herbert, and Annie. Had:

i Edna Brewer, m. May 24, 1904, William H. Hayes of Buck.

1 MEEHAN, John F., s. of Thomas and Mary, b. in Ireland; d. Jan. 7, 1885, ae. 52 yrs.; m. Mary Horan. Children:

2 i Francis.

ii Son, b. Aug. 10, 1867.

iii Kate E., b. 1869; m. Nov. 30, 1891, Albert F. Tolman.

iv Son, b. Mar. 23, 1872.

v Peter James, b. Sept. 13, 1784.

2 Francis, s. of John F.(1), b. in Buck. He d. Mar. 23, 1928, ae. 69 yrs.; m. May 30, 1888, Mrs. Annie Brown, dau. of John and Kate Scully of Shelburne. Children:

i William, b. Jan. 5, 1889; m. Oct 11 or 17, 1911, Cora J., dau. of Philip and Cora (Stanley) Quinn of Buckland.

ii Paul, b. Nov. 17, 1890.

iii Daughter, b. July 6, 1892; d. July 7, 1892.

MEEHAN, John Edward, d. July 15, 1872, ae. 2 yrs.

MEEHAN, Margaret M., d. July 12, 1872, ae. 4 yrs.

MEEHAN, Mary, m. Feb. 1, 1857, Louis Schneider.

MEEHAN, Michael P., b. in Ireland; m. Joanna Halpin. Resided in Buck. in 1900. Children:

- i Daughter, b. Nov. 24, 1867.
- ii Kate, b. June 28, 1873.
- iii Michael, b. Mar. 31, 1875.
- iv Mary Ellen, b. Oct. 3, 1876.

MEEHAN, Thomas, d. July 29, 1868, ae. 1 yr.

MEEKINS, Charles A., m. (1) Jennie S. —; m. (2) Feb. 16, 1865, Lucy A. Cummings, of Wilmington, Vt. Had:

- i Jennie Sabrina, b. Jan. 3, 1866.

1 MEEKINS, Russell, s. of Joseph, b. in Williamsburg; d. in Buck., Nov. 9, 1888, ae. 88 yrs.; m. Sarah, dau. of Joseph and Submit Packard. She d. Apr. 6, 1874, ae. 72 yrs.; was b. in New Salem. Children:

- 2 i Joseph R.
- 3 ii Dwight L.

2 Joseph R., s. of Russell(1), d. Jan. 17, 1898, ae. 72 yrs.; member of Co. E., 52nd. Reg. M. V. M.; m. Pamela B., dau. of Silas Pratt; she was b. Jan. 1, 1832, in Goshen; d. Apr. 30, 1922. Children:

- i Ada, b. 1858; m. Ernest Norman.
- ii Edwin B., b. 1867; m. Nov. 28, 1889, Alma J., dau. of Joseph and Alma Wheeler of Montague.

3 Dwight L., s. of Russell(1), b. at Conway; m. at So. Deerfield, Oct. 22, 1865, Sarah Elizabeth, dau. of Benjamin and Luthera Keach. She was b. in New York State, d. at Buck., Aug. 30, 1889, ae. 45 yrs.; m. (2) Nov. 18, 1890, Mrs. Harriet M. Burton of Buckland, dau. of Russell and Candace Goodnow, b. in Mich. Had:

- i Grace, b. Oct. 29, 1872; m. Walter Todd of Rowe. Both are dead. Had: 1. Earl.

MERRILL, Frank A., s. of Moses and Abbie., b. in Shelburne; m. Dec. 23, 1880, Mrs. Mary C. Partenheimer, b. in Greenfield. Had:

- i Annie C., b. Sept. 22, 1885.

MERRILL, Nathaniel, m. Mary Allen, dau. of John R., and Hannah (Allen) Briggs. She was b. in Hadley; d. in Buckland, June 27, 1911, ae. 81 yrs.



MEYERS, see also MAYER.

MEYERS, Fred, b. in Vermont, a cutler; m. Emma Irvin, b. in Buck. Had:

- i Alfred, b. Oct. 2, 1902.

MEYERS, (MAYERS), Gottlieb, b. Germany, a baker by occupation; m. Sophia Hettinger. Had:

- i Mary Anna, b. Apr. 12, 1893.

1 MEYERS (this name given MAYER in Probate records) Louis, s. of George and Dorothy Hildebrandt, b. in Germany d. Jan. 24, 1898, ae. 41 yrs.; m. Mary Annie, dau. of Casper Schlaugenhauf. She was b. in Germany; m. (2), Jan. 9, 1902, William Wilson; she d. Nov. 17, 1919. Children:

- i Carrie.
- 2 ii George J.
- iii Alfred, b. Nov. 25, 1887.
- iv Lewis F., res. E. Jaffrey, N. H.
- v Charles, res. E. Jaffrey, N. H.
- vi William H., b. May 28, 1897.

2 George J., s. of Louis(1), b. Buck.; m. Sept. 14, 1920, Eleanor Mary, dau. of William and Annie Delaney. Children:

- i William Joseph, b. June 19, 1921.
- ii Mary K., b. Apr. 5, 1923.
- iii John Edmund, b. June 18, 1929.

MIGHILLS, Nathaniel, d. before May 1805, when an Ezekiel Mighills petitioned for the sale of the real estate, and an Ezekiel Mighills was appointed as the guardian of Nathaniel's minor children. The names of Daniel and Experience Mighills appear on the guardian's bond. This family were probably connected with a family of like name living in Ashfield. Children:

- i Franklin, d. Nov. 4, 1812.
- ii Jerusha.
- iii Ruth.
- iv Sally.

MILES, Alonzo F., s. of Nathaniel, d. July 17, 1872, ae. 27 yrs. Had:

- i Henry T., b. Oct. 16, 1868.

MILES, Samantha, d. Apr. 27, 1873, ae. 65 yrs.

1 MILLS, William, s. of Samuel and Elizabeth, b. in England; d. Dec. 13, 1880, ae. 64 yrs.; a cutlery grinder; m. — Ann, dau. of Joseph and Mary Hobson, b. in England; d. in Buckland, Aug. 10, 1884, ae. 67. Children (by probate papers):

- 2 i Albert.
- ii Elizabeth, m. Hardron of Sheffield, England.
- 3 iii Henry.
- iv Mellond, m. Henry G. Avery; d. Aug. 11, 1928.
- v Alice, m. Joseph E. Russell, Dec. 26, 1877; res. Pittsfield.

2 Albert, s. of William(1), b. in England; d. Sept. 5, 1890, ae. 55 yrs.; came to Buckland about 1865; m. Susanna, dau. of Joseph England; she was b. in Sheffield, Eng.; d. June 29, 1928, ae. 93 yrs. Children:

- 4 i Henry, b. Sheffield, England, Apr. 11, 1862.
- 5 ii William, b. Sheffield, England, 1864.
- iii Mark A., b. in Buck.; m. Ann Robinson; res. Keene, N. H.
- iv Eliza, b. Greenfield, 1867; m. Alexander Sweet; res. Greenfield.
- v Son, b. 1872; d. Mar. 23, 1873.

3 Henry, s. of William(1) and Ann, b. in England; m. Emma, also b. in England. Children, b. in Buckland:

- i Ada Beatrice, b. May 30, 1873.
- ii Gertrude May, b. Feb. 1, 1875.
- iii Frederick Ernest, b. Apr. 6, 1876.
- iv John Francis, b. Jan. 18, 1878.

4 Henry, s. of Albert(2), b. Sheffield, England, Apr. 11, 1862, d. Mar. 13, 1903; m. Flora, dau. of Samuel Thayer. She d. June 24, 1924. Children:

- 6 i Albert, b. Jan. 9, 1883; d. Feb. 5, 1921.
- ii Annie E., b. Dec. 24, 1885; m. Mar. 28, 1904, George Sommer.
- iii Grace A., b. May 5, 1887; m. June 28, 1905, Thomas O'Neil; res. Buck.

- iv Florence May, b. Feb. 20, 1890; m. Leonard J. Francis; res. Hartford, Conn.
- v William, b. Dec. 10, 1895; m. Clara Trumball; res. Shelburne Falls.
- vi George, b. Aug. 15, 1899; m. Marion Lavalette; res. Shelburne Falls.

5 William, s. of Albert(2), b. in Sheffield, England, 1864; m. Mary Williams, who d. Sept. 26, 1925, ae. 58 yrs. Children:

- i Harrison, b. June 27, 1889; m. Edna A., dau. of Joseph and Ada (Hill) Shaw, July 19, 1911. Res. Seneca Falls, N. Y.
- ii William, b. Dec. 20, 1890; m. Florence Canedy; res. Seneca Falls, N. Y.
- iii Ada, b. Feb. 2, 1892; m. Dorian J. Hale; res. Buck.
- iv Ethel, b. Mar. 20, 1895; m. Walter E. Ellison; res. Northampton.
- v Madeline Angela, b. May 19, 1902; m. June 23, 1926, John Henry Hill, Jr.; res. Torrington, Conn.

6 Albert, s. of Henry(4), b. 1883; m. Dec. 24, 1904, Nellie J., dau. of William and Sarah (Smith) Walker. Children:

- i Howard, b. Oct. 20, 1906; res. Shel. Falls; unm.
- ii Leonard, b. Mar. 9, 1908; res. Shel. Falls; unm.

MINNEHAN, see MONAHAN.

MINNEHAN, Timothy, d. Mar. 1, 1898; m. Jane, dau. of Matthew Boyle. She d. June 1, 1896, ae. 49 yrs. Children:

- i Thomas, res. Northampton, at time of his mother's death.
- ii Timothy, in the U. S. Navy at time of his mother's death.
- iii Nora, res. Northampton, at time of mother's death. These two sons were prob. b. Jan. 23, 1868 and Aug. 31, 1872. (Greenfield Gazette and Courier.)

MINOT, Nathaniel, was here in 1790 with a family of two males under 16, and four females.

MITCHELL, Bela, m. Elvira E. Ward. Res. Plainfield. Had:

- i Catherine, d. July 12, 1862, ae. 18 yrs.



MITCHELL, William, m. Nov. 21, 1864, Sarah L. Brown.

MITCHELL, William, m. Susie, dau. of Jacob and Brittanina Brown. She d. Feb. 16, 1869, ae. 26 yrs.

MITTELSDORF, William, s. of Nicholas and Anna M. (Amstein), b. in Germany, a cutler by trade; m. Barbara Elizabeth, dau. of Henry and Joanna Kellar; she d. Sept. 25, 1912, ae. 60 yrs.; m. (2) July 22, 1914, Mrs. Anna Pfersick, dau. of Christian Oefinger. Children:

- i Anna, b. May 6, 1875; m. Feb. 14, 1900, James H. Gallivan of Montague.
- ii Grace Amelia, b. Feb. 18, 1889; m. June 29, 1914, William F. Rickett.

MONAHAN, see MINNEHAN.

MONAHAN, Edward, s. of Timothy and Margaret (Wilson), b. Ireland; d. Dec. 29, 1898, ae. 66 yrs.; m. Bridget, dau. of John Healy, b. in Ireland; d. July 25, 1896. Children, b. in England:

- 2 i Edward Joseph.
- ii Thomas J., resident in 1900; d. Apr. 4, 1905, ae. 42 yrs.
- 3 iii Peter P.

2 Edward Joseph, s. of Edward(1), b. in England, a mechanic; d. Oct. 15, 1928, ae. 66 yrs.; m. July 9, 1888, Eliza, dau. of Michael and Mary Seagrave, who was b. in England. Children:

- i Mary Catherine, b. Apr. 17, 1889.
- ii Thomas Mitchell, b. July 12, 1890; m. Oct. 18, 1913, Mary Elizabeth, dau. of Edward and Winnifred Haigis of Buck.
- iii Annie Bridget, b. Mar. 24, 1892; d. Aug. 15, 1892.
- iv Elizabeth, b. May 9, 1893; m. Aug. 4, 1919, Donald G. Wood of Shelburne.
- v Edward J., b. Aug. 23, 1895; d. Mar. 17, 1909.
- vi John Peter, b. Oct. 26, 1896.
- vii Ellen Christine, b. June 26, 1900; m. Sept. 5, 1922, Nelson Bert Wells.
- viii Theodore F., b. Jan. 22, 1904.
- ix Helen C., b. Mar. 23, 1908; m. Nov. 8, 1926, Philip J. O'Hara of Greenfield.

3 Peter P., s. of Edward(1), b. in England, a mechanic; m. Dec. 25, 1890, Margaret A., dau. of Hugh and Mary Dunnigan, b. in England; res. Westfield, 1899. Children:

- i Mary Agnes, b. Sept. 23, 1893.
- ii Tessa G., b. Nov. 9, 1896.

MONTAGUE, G. B., was a member of the school committee in 1852.

MONTAGUE, P. C., was a member of the school committee in 1854.

MONTAGUE, Thomas B., was a member of the school committee in 1848; m. Clara S., dau. of Oliver and Eunice (Thompson) Coleman; she d. Mar. 17, 1899, ae. 86 yrs. Had:

- i Eusebia J., m. Julius Cummings; d. Nov. 16, 1912, ae. 72 yrs.
- ii Z. Adelbert, res. Worcester.
- iii Charles A., res. New York City.
- iv Daughter, m. — Tuttle.

MOORE, Charles E., b. Windsor Locks, Conn., a locomotive engineer; m. Anella C. Cummings of Buckland. Had:

- i Cherrie Eusebia, b. Mar. 9, 1888.

MOORE, Edmund, b. at Rainbow, Conn., R. R. employee; m. Lizzie Crane, b. in N. Y. State. Had:

- i Edna Mildred, b. Mar. 26, 1884, at Buck.

MOORE, Rev. E. J., was a member of the school committee in 1868. Had:

- i Daughter, b. Jan. 12, 1863.

MOORE, John J., s. of Garrett and Betsey (Hoar), b. in Ireland; d. Apr. 30, 1914, ae. abt. 88 yrs. Probably had:

- i John, who m. Elizabeth and had Mary D., b. Holyoke; m. in Buckland, Feb. 14, 1876, James H. Linihan.

MOORE, Samuel, a resident here in 1790 with a family of three males under sixteen and two females.

MORRIARTY, Patrick, b. in Ireland, a section hand on the B. & M. R. R., a resident here in 1900; d. Mar. 5, 1922, ae. 58 yrs., unm.; left relatives in Ireland and Chester, Penn.

MORRISSEY, Jeremiah, s. of Thomas and Margaret Maroney, and brother of Thomas Morrissey of Buckland, b. in Ireland; d. Oct. 21, 1898, ae. 61 yrs.; m. Elizabeth Dunne, also a native of Ireland. She d. in Buckland, Apr. 11, 1885, ae. 39 yrs. Children, prob. nearly all b. in Buckland:

- 1 i Thomas, b. in Ireland; d. Mar. 14, 1885.
- ii P. J., b. Nov. 27, 1867; d. July 12, 1886.
- iii John R., b. Feb. 14, 1873; res. Antrim, N. H.
- iv Elizabeth K., b. Apr. 6, 1876; res. Buck.
- v vi Son and Dau. (twins), b. and d. Jan. 20, 1878.
- vii Anna Ellen, b. Apr. 7, 1880; res. Buck.
- viii William J., b. June 17, 1883; res. Buck.
- ix Margaret M., m. — Blodgett; res. Westfield.

MORRISSEY, Lawrence, s. of Patrick and Helen, b. in Ireland; d. Mar. 23 or 25, 1878, ae. 55 yrs.; m. Margaret, dau. of Michael and Margaret (Fitzgerald) Dee. She was b. in Ireland; d. Dec. 31, 1912 (Jan. 1, 1913, Probate), ae. 92 yrs. Children, most of whom were b. in Buckland:

- i Michael P., b. 1848 in Greenfield; d. Aug. 26, 1918; m. Mrs. Lizzie Kennedy, a native of Scotland. They resided in Buck.
- ii Patrick, b. 1851; d. prior to 1911; m. July 8, 1880, Mary, dau. of Patrick and Catherine Fitzgerald. Left son Lawrence, who d. March, 1911.
- iii David, b. 1853; d. Jan. 30, 1892; unm.
- iv John J., b. 1856; d. July 8, 1926.
- v Edward or Edmund, b. 1858; d. Dec. 1, 1929, in Buckland.
- vi William E., b. 1873; d. May 20, 1905. Left a widow, who d. 1910, and daus. Mary and Margaret.
- vii Mary E., d. Aug. 4, 1929, ae. 63 yrs., unm.
- viii Thomas F., b. 1861; d. Feb. 6, 1881, in Buckland.
- ix Ellen, b. 1855; m. Patrick J. Kennedy.

MORRISSEY, Thomas, s. of Thomas and Margaret Maroney, b. Ireland; d. Apr. 6, 1903, ae. 57 yrs.; m. Margaret Gaffney, b. in Ireland; d. Nov. 23, 1892, ae. 80. Children:

- i Edward T., of Newark, N. J.
- ii Eugene M., of Newark, N. J.



- iii Patrick William, b. Apr. 20, 1873.
- iv Francis J., b. May 5, 1877; d. Nov. 4, 1903, unm; res. Athol.
- v Jeremiah J., of Bristol, Ct.
- vi Catherine M.
- vii Henry F.

MORRISSEY, William, a grinder, b. in Conway; m. Nellie Amsden, b. in Conn., resided Buck. Children:

- i Son, b. Dec. 10, 1906.
- ii Daughter, b. Dec. 19, 1907; d. Jan. 10, 1908.

MORSE, Jesse, s. of Samuel and Deborah, b. Athol, May 3, 1809; d. Nov. 17, 1887; m. Anna, dau. of Othniel Johnson. She was b. Dec. 31, 1811. In 1843 they removed to Greenfield, Wis., where she d. Jan. 14, 1868. He returned to Buckland where he m. (2) Deidamia, dau. of Job Woodward. She was b. Feb. 17, 1839; d. May 6, 1909. Children:

- i Abner K., b. Mar. 22, 1834; d. 1837.
- ii Deborah S., b. Sept. 6, 1835; m. Alfred L. Smith; res. Greenfield, Wis.
- iii Samuel E., b. Oct. 5, 1840; d. Jan. 1, 1841.
- iv Anna E., b. Aug. 29, 1872; m. Dec. 23, 1900, Arthur I. Page.

MORTON, Eliphalet, was a voter in Buckland in 1822.

MORTON, d. Nov. 1836, a child of Mr. Morton.

MORTON, Mary Lizzie, dau. of Henry and Mary, b. in Hatfield; d. Oct. 23, 1873, ae. 10 yrs.

Moseley, Isaac, was here in 1790; family contained one male under sixteen and two females.

MUNSON, Osee, s. of Reuben of Buck., m. June 9, 1819, Lurilla, dau. of Elder Enos Smith. She d. Sept. 29, 1835, ae. 36 yrs.; m. (2) Apr. 28, 1836, Mary Wade of Williamsburg.

MUNSON, Salmon, was a voter here in 1806 and also in 1822; m. Ruth —, who d. Nov. 16, 1836, ae. 62 yrs. Children:

- i Roxana, d. Aug. 28, 1803, ae. 4 yrs.
- ii Abel, d. Oct. 1806, ae. 3 yrs.

- iii Julia, d. Sept. 9, 1823, ae. 3 yrs.
- iv Roxana, d. Feb. 23, 1832, ae. 23 yrs., unm.

MURPHY, Dennis W., s. of John and Ellen (Meehan), b. in Ireland; d. July 27, 1899, ae. 39 yrs.; m. Mary Sheehan, b. in Buck. Children:

- i Edward Carroll, b. Feb. 23, 1892.
- ii Catherine Ellen, b. Feb. 10, 1895.

MURPHY, Mrs. Ellen (Sheehan), b. in Ireland; d. in Buckland, Feb. 7, 1884, ae. 50 yrs.

MURPHY, Owen, b. in Ireland; m. Mary, dau. of John and Mary Sheehan. Children:

- i Son, b. Oct. 8, 1875.
- ii Son, twin, b. Oct. 8, 1877.
- iii Dau., twin, b. Oct. 8, 1877.

MURPHY, Patrick, b. Ireland; d. in Buckland, July 26, 1887, ae. 80 yrs.; m. Catherine, dau. of John and Catherine Kelly; she d. Oct. 20, 1882, ae. 67 yrs. Children:

- i Mary, m. Apr. 27, 1882, Patrick Boyle; resided Greenfield. He d. June 18, 1930.
- ii John J., b. in Buck.; m. May 21, 1924, Mrs. Elthea L. Naylor, dau. of Charles and Effie Townsend of Buckland.

NADEAU, Charles C., m. Nov. 28, 1923, May E., dau. of Ernest H. and Ada L. (Meekins) Norman. Children:

- i Alfred N., b. Nov. 23, 1925.
- ii Gordon E., b. July 23, 1927.
- iii Jean E., b. July 22, 1930.

NADEAU, William H., m. Nov. 11, 1920, Lilla Belle, dau. of Orie L., and Hattie (Dodge) Ruddock. She was b. Jan. 28, 1897. Children:

- i Felix, b. Nov. 11, 1923.
- ii Paul, b. Aug. 1, 1927.

NAYLOR, Richard, s. of Joseph and Ann, both b. in England. In his will entered in the Probate office in 1859, mentions sisters Betsey Calvert (who d. Sept. 14, 1882, ae. 65 yrs.) Ann Settle,

Ellen Hallowell, Sarah Redman, Sarah Naylor, Fannie Coop, a brother William Summers, and mother Ann Summers.

1 NEEDHAM, William, s. of William and Anna (Thompson), b. in Sheffield, England; d. Jan. 1, 1927, ae. 66 yrs.; m. (1) Alice, dau. of George Burley, who was b. at Sheffield, Eng.; d. Mar. 7, 1905, ae. 41 yrs.; m. (2) Oct. 28, 1905, Nellie, dau. of Charles and Hannah Birch. Children:

- i Bertha, b. Sheffield, Eng.; m. John Martin.
  - ii Beatrice Lillian, b. June 9, 1888; m. Sept. 15, 1906, Jacob J. Thieringer of Buckland.
  - iii William, Jr., b. Sheffield, 1891; m.; res. Shel. Falls.
- 2 iv George F., b. 1895.

2 George F., s. of William(1), b. Buck., 1895; m. May 19, 1918, Clara Louise, dau. of Fred Starkey, b. in Colrain. Children:

- i Alice Elizabeth, b. Apr. 27, 1920.
- ii Helen May, b. Apr. 17, 1923.

NEGUS, Phebe, of Buckland, m. Nov. 14, 1793, Joshua Vincent of Ashfield.

NEGUS, William, was here in 1790 with one female in family. He became a town charge and d. before June 1811.

NELSON, Andrew John, b. in Sweden; d. Apr. 2, 1914, ae. 77 yrs.; m. Elbertina H., dau. of Andrew and Anna Anderson. She d. in Buck., Nov. 8, 1920, ae. 72 yrs. Children:

- i John L., b. Sept. 17, 188—; d. Mar. 26, 1884.
- ii John Emmanuel, b. Sept. 9, 1885; m. Sept. 29, 1917, Edith Lillian, dau. of Henry W. and Martha D. Stevens of Lee; a teacher.

1 NELSON, Austin M., s. of Obed and Eliza, b. in Colrain; d. July 3, 1886, ae. 69 yrs.; m. May 11, 1842, Phebe F., dau. of Thomas and Sarah Hawks. She was b. in Charlemont; d. in Buck., Jan. 28, 1888, ae. 73 yrs. Had:

- i Lydia A., b. 1843; d. June 8, 1849.
- 2 ii Orpheus, T.

2 Orpheus T., s. of Austin M.(1), b. in Buck.; d. Apr. 27 or 28, 1890; m. Dec. 24, 1874, in So. Halifax, Vt., Lucy Ann, dau. of



Edward S. and Lydia Hale. She was b. in Greenfield; d. June 8, 1891, ae. 40 yrs. Children:

- i Lydia Viola, b. July 16, 1875; d. Feb. 15, 1892.
- ii Florabel, b. Oct. 21, 1877.
- iii Phebe Ann, b. Nov. 1, 1880; d. prior to Jan. 16, 1897.

NELSON, Elijah, was living here in 1790 with his family of two males under sixteen and one female.

NELSON, James, a Civil War veteran of Co. H., 10th Reg. Mass. Vol., b. Franklin, N. Y., Dec. 5, 1838; was killed Jan. 23, 1865 by a falling limb, while chopping in the woods.

NELSON, James, had a son, b. Jan. 12, 1878.

NELSON, Hannah, d. June 10, 1819, ae. 25 yrs.; unm.

NELSON, Stephen, was here as a voter in 1806; d. Feb. 1, 1829, ae. 72 yrs.; m. Azubah —, who was b. Upton; d. Feb. 7, 1846, ae. 84 yrs. Children, all but Betsey, bapt. Nov. 22, 1807:

- i Hannah.
- ii Azubah, d. Jan. 14, 1864, ae. 67 yrs.
- iii Betsey, d. Apr. 9, 1802, ae. 2 yrs.
- 2 iv Moses.
- v Asa.
- vi Levi.

2 Moses, s. of Stephen(1), b. in Buck.; was a private in the War of 1812 and received a pension; enlisted in a Charlemont company and was in service at Boston; d. Sept. 7, 1881, ae. 89 yrs. He m. at the age of 88 yrs., Mar. 11, 1881, Susan, dau. of Smisson and Elizabeth Bronson of Buckland. She d. July 12, 1901, ae. 86 yrs.

1 NEWELL, Baxter Hall, s. of Joshua S. and Dorcas (Lyon), b. Whitingham, Vt.; d. Mar. 28, 1893, ae. 79 yrs.; m. Rachel, dau. of Otis and Huldah Briggs. She d. Apr. 15, 1873, ae. 60 yrs. Children:

- 2 i John L.
- 3 ii Herbert.

2 John L., s. of Baxter H.(1), b. in Whitingham, Vt.; d. Buckland, Oct. 26, 1879. He m. (1) Sarah S., dau. of Ziba and Hannah

D. Smith. She d. Dec. 29, 1875, ae. 34 yrs.; m. (2) June 20, 1876, Lydia M. Smith. Had:

- i John S., b. Dec. 7, 1875; d. Oct. 9, 1890.

3 Herbert, s. of Baxter H.(1), d. at Shelburne, Apr. 2, 1921; was a hardware dealer and grocer in Buck. and had served in official capacities; m. Mary Addie, dau. of Charles R. and Fanny (Patterson) White of Buck. She was b. Feb. 9, 1857. Children:

- i Baxter Herbert, b. Jan. 12, 1880.
- ii Gertrude Fannie, b. May 8, 1883.

1 NEWSTEAD, George H., a Civil War veteran, d. in Buckland, Nov. 27, 1866, ae. 37 yrs.; m. Charlotte —, who m. (2) Oct. 10, 1869, Edwin Poulton of Buck. He d. Sept. 22 or 25, 1870. Children:

- 2
  - i George A., b. in Burke, N. Y., Mar. 27, 1854.
  - ii John H., b. Apr. 22, 1857; m. Jan. 23, 1883, Martha, dau. of John and Martha Willis, b. in Millerton, N. Y.
  - iii Ellen Maria, b. May 27, 1860; m. Sept. 15, 1880, George Kratt, Jr.
  - iv Charles Preston, b. Aug. 21, 1865.
  - v Frederick Preston, d. Oct. 22, 1866, ae. 14 mos.

2 George A., s. of George H.(1), b. in Burke, N. Y., Mar. 27, 1854; m. July 23, 1881, Carrie, dau. of Alvan L. and Alvira L. Lanfair. Children:

- i Edith May, b. July 15, 1884.

NEWTON, M. L., was living here in 1900.

NEY, John, m. in Greenfield, Oct. 22, 1862, Mary M. (or Magdalen) Peterman. She d. Aug. 10, 1877, ae. 38 yrs. Children:

- i Jacob Frederick, b. in or near 1865.
- ii Son, b. Dec. 10, 1872.
- iii Mary Magdalen, b. in or near 1873.
- iv Mary Agnes, b. Mar. 8, 1875.
- v John R., d. July 27, 1877, ae. 4 mos.

NICHOLS, Alva A., of Buckland, m. Feb. 17, 1853, Mary Taylor.

NICHOLS, Fayette, Rev., was a M. E. Clergyman, m. Mar. 1871, S. Delia Orcutt. Had:

- i Minerva Adelaide, b. in Buckland, Feb. 21, 1872.  
Two other children, b. in Warren.

NICHOLS, Lovisa, m. Feb. 14, 1829, Levi Hawks of Charlemont.

NICHOLS, John, was of Buckland, Oct. 5, 1787, when he sold land to Josiah Hathaway.

NICHOLS, Maria T., dau. of Nathaniel and Mary S. Temple of Heath, d. in Buckland, Feb. 24, 1920, ae. 90 yrs., 11 mos.; left dau., Mrs. Mary S. Booth of Westwood.

NICHOLS, Olive, of Buckland, m. Apr. 7, 1829, Ira Merrill of Shelburne.

NICHOLS, Parnee, m. June 29, 1804, John Carter, both of Buckland.

NICHOLS, Samuel, was a voter here in 1806.

1 NICHOLS, Thomas, Capt., b. Ireland, May 15, 1733; d. May 24, 1812. He m. (1) Apr. 3, 1758, E. Wells; m. (2) Nov. 7, 1765, Elizabeth Pierce. She was b. Dec. 26, 1738; d. Oct. 6, 1829. Children:

- i Elizabeth, b. July 14, 1760.
- 2 ii Asa, b. Mar. 7, 1762.
- iii Thomas, b. Dec. 26, 1764.
- iv James, b. June 24, 1766; d. Aug. 7, 1769.
- v Rowena, b. Jan. 24, 1768.
- vi James, b. Feb. 19, 1770.
- vii Samuel, b. Dec. 18, 1772.
- viii Joseph, b. Feb. 19, 1774; d. Mar. 18, 1776.
- 3 ix Joseph, b. Apr. 5, 1776.
- x Daughter, b. Mar. 10, 1778.
- xi David, b. Mar. 9, 1779; d. Oct. 1812.
- xii Seth, b. Mar. 6, 1781.
- xiii Joshua, b. May 21, 1783.
- xiv Rodolphus, b. Sept. 13, 1785; d. Oct. 7, 1849.
- xv Marietta, b. Oct. 8, 1788; d. Oct. 19, 1835.

2 Asa, s. of Thomas(1), b. Mar. 7, 1762; d. Aug. 11, 1841. He was a Rev. soldier; in Buck. in 1790 with a family of two females. He m. (1) Sylvia —, who d. Apr. 10, 1808, ae. 42 yrs.; m. (2)



Mrs. Rachel Cook of Shelburne with whom he was pub. Nov. 9, 1808. She d. June 12, 1852, ae. 84 yrs. Children:

- i Parne, bapt. July 30, 1790.
- ii Thomas M., bapt. Sept. 4, 1803.
- iii Washington Adams, Rev., b. Apr. 4, 1808; grad. Amherst Col.; held various pastorates in Massachusetts and Illinois. Last known residence was Lake Forrest, Ill. He m. Sept. 25, 1838, Bethiah A. Miller of Heath.
- iv Priscilla, b. abt. 1812; m. Lemuel Smith; d. Feb. 28, 1889.

3 Joseph, s. of Thomas(1), b. Apr. 5, 1776; d. Oct. 15, 1860; m. in 1796, Mary Hathaway. She was b. Feb. 27, 1761; d. Sept. 21, 1838; m. (2) Charlotte, dau. of Josiah Hathaway, Apr. 10, 1839. She d. Sept. 15, 1864. Children:

- i Nancy M., b. June 7, 1797; m. Oct. 8, 1840, Daniel Bement, who d. July 22, 1871. She d. June 16, 1880.
- 4 ii Cyrus, b. Aug. 10, 1798. [S. of Joseph and Charlotte (Hathaway) *sic*.]
- iii Charlotte Hathaway, dau. of Joseph and Charlotte (Hathaway), b. Apr. 10, 1799. *sic*.
- 5 iv Joseph, Jr., b. Nov. 17, 1799.
- v Elizabeth, b. May 22, 1802; d. Nov. 27, 1823.
- vi Wealthy, b. Nov. 15, 1804; d. July —, 1805.

4 Cyrus, s. of Joseph(3), b. Aug. 10, 1798; d. Dec. 18, 1829; m. Nov. 27 or 30, 1826, Mary Harmon or Hammond. She was b. May 7, 1807. Children:

- i Elizabeth L., b. Aug. 17, 1827.
- ii Maria A., b. July 19, 1829.

5 Joseph, Jr., s. of Joseph(3), b. Nov. 17, 1799; d. July 27, 1873; m. (1) June 5, 1828, Jerusha D. Scott, who was b. Sept. 15, 1800; d. Jan. 20, 1840; m. (2) Louisa, (Laura in mar. int.), dau. of Thomas and Martha Dodge, Feb. 28, 1841. She was b. in 1814; d. Aug. 17, 1884. Children:

- 6 i Alvin Theodore, b. Mar. 11, 1829.
- ii Allan Consider, b. Sept. 20, 1830; d. (killed by train) Nov. 11, 1909, m. Hattie B——, had 1. Flossie E., m. Germain of Conway. 2. Leon H., of No. Adams.

- iii Harriet Eliza, b. Sept. 11, 1832; m. — Wood; res. Brandon, Vt.
- iv Julia Ann Jerusha, b. Aug. 26, 1836; m. Alvah Taylor.
- v James Dickinson, b. Dec. 26, 1839; res. Charlemont.
- 7 vi Charles Joseph, b. Feb. 19, 1842.
- 8 vii George Parker, b. May 7, 1844.
- viii Emma Louisa, b. Aug. 20, 1850; m. Mar. 8, 1881, Edwin H. Wells; she d. Apr. 27, 1888.
- 6 Alvin Theodore, s. of Joseph, Jr.(5), b. Mar. 11, 1829; m. Mar. 7, 1861, Hannah Nichols of Rochester, Vt. Children:
  - i Son, b. Jan. 1, 1862.
  - ii Daughter, b. Dec. 3, 1872.
- 7 Charles Joseph, s. of Joseph, Jr.(5), b. Feb. 19, 1842; d. Mar. 24, 1910; m. Apr. 9, 1882, Mary O., dau. of J. Munroe Parker of Hawley. She d. Sept. 12, 1883, ae. 19 yrs.; m. (2) Oct. 27, 1891, Minnie M., dau. of Thomas and Marion McIntire. She d. Mar. 30, 1915. Children:
  - i Flora O., b. Dec. 27, 1882; d. Jan. 1, 1883.
  - ii Harrison E., b. Nov. 25, 1895; m. Aleta Bliss of Colrain. One child.
- 8 George Parker, s. of Joseph, Jr.(5), b. May 7, 1844; d. June 6, 1918; m. in Halifax, Vt., May 21, 1865, Eunice F. Barber of Charlemont. She was b. Jan. 11, 1847; d. Jan. 27, 1917. Children:
  - i Louisa.
  - ii Bertha.
  - iii Charles H., b. Dec. 1, 1873; m. Sept. 30, 1899, Della C., dau. of A. and L. Higgins of Ashfield.
  - iv Olive M., b. Feb. 23, 1886; m. Dec. 22, 1907, William Martin of Buckland.
- NILMAN, Charles J., b. in Sweden, June 22, 1861, s. of Carl; came to America in 1888 and about 1897 to Buckland; m. Nov. 3, 1897 in Greenfield, Ada Heland, dau. of Heland Hanson, a native of Sweden. Lives E. Buckland. Children:
  - i Anna May, b. Feb. 7, 1898; m. H. A. Dillenbeck; lives in N. Y. State.
  - ii Carl H., b. Oct. 13, 1902, lives at E. Buckland, unm. Is proprietor of the Motion Pictures at Buckland Town Hall, at the Falls.

1 NIMS, John (John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Godfrey<sup>1</sup>), b. Deerfield, Mar. 12, 1748 or 9; Rev. Sol.; lived for a time in the "Shirkshire" district, Conway, then in Buck., where he d. May 15, 1823. He m. Jan. 15, 1771, Betsey Rice of Charlemont; she was b. Sept. 12, 1751; d. Apr. 14, 1842. Children:

- i Silas, b. Jan. 31, 1772; d. Jan. 5, 1777.
- ii John, b. Oct. 12, 1773; d. Aug. 26, 1777.
- iii Anna, b. Jan. 16, 1776; d. Dec. 17, 1776.
- iv Silas, b. Jan. 26, 1778; was a voter in 1806; pub. with Eunice Call of Colrain, Aug. 24, 1799.
- v Betsey, b. Dec. 14, 1779; m. — Call.
- vi Thankful, b. May 8, 1782; m. Dec. 28, 1814, Eliphalet Adams, of Col. She d. Dec. 11, 1831.
- vii Anna, b. Mar. 6, 1784; m. Apr. 5, 1815, Reuben Hillman (mar. int. Hinman), of Conway.
- viii Abigail, b. Mar. 11, 1786; m. Feb. 27, 1803, Levi Steel.
- ix Patty, twin, b. Nov. 30, 1787; m. Nov. 30, 1809, Samuel Maxam of Colrain.
- x Polly, twin, b. Nov. 30, 1787; m. Nov. 27, 1812, Jonathan Wilson, Jr., of Colrain.
- xi Electa, b. Sept. 5 or 6, 1790; m. Dec. 30, 1813, Benjamin Farley, Jr., of Colrain.
- xii Lucy, b. May 20, 1793; m. May 27, 1819, Levi Coy of Colrain.

2 xiii John, b. Apr. 21, 1795.

2 John, s. of John<sup>4</sup>(1), b. Apr. 21, 1795; sett. Buck., at the Falls; d. Aug. 30, 1836 (Sheldon's Hist. Deerfield) or Sept. 1, 1836 (Ch. rec.). He m. Feb. 11, 1820, Drucilla Hillman of Conway; she was b. Nov. 11, 1799; d. in Shel., June 18, 1871. Children:

- i Mary Wilson, b. Feb. 28, 1821; m. June 9, 1869, John E. Kidder of Amherst; m. (2) Jan. 11, 1882, James Lincoln of Sunderland.
- ii Silas, b. 1823; m. Apr. 18, 1847, H. Augusta Miller, pr. a widow. He d. in the army, July 28, 1862; she m. (2) Oct. 5, 1865, Franklin Ware; had: 1. Francis, b. Jan. 20, 1848.
- iii Electa, b. Apr. 20, 1825; d. Mar. 29, 1856.
- iv Betsey E., b. Oct. 15, 1827; m. Aug. 25, 1858, James Sprague of Buck.; d. Mar. 2, 1871.



- v John Allen, b. Jan. 24, 1830; m. Adaline Corser; d. from hardships in the war, Jan. 27, 1866.
- vi Diantha, b. Sept. 13, 1832; m. Alfred Rugg of Charlemon; d. Oct. 26, 1854.
- vii Caroline M., b. Jan. 21, 1835; m. Charles Hunter; d. Apr. 14, 1875.
- viii Belle L., b. July 29, 1837; m. Horace Dana of Amherst. (In probate rec. the name of Belle L. is given as "Lucy I."—perhaps Isabell.)

NOONAN, Patrick, was a resident here in 1900.

NORMAN, Ernest H., was living here in 1900, s. of August and Ulrika, b. in Stockholm, Sweden, 1862; d. in Buckland, Dec. 4, 1928, ae. 66 yrs.; m. Apr. 3, 1886, Ada L., dau. of Joseph and Pamela Meekins. She was b. 1858; d. Sept. 12, 1920, ae. 62 yrs. Children:

- i Preston Elwin, b. May 24, 1892; d. Apr. 3, 1894.
- ii Lila Christina, d. Dec. 22, 1901; ae. 8 yrs.
- iii May E., b. Buckland; m. Nov. 28, 1923, Charles C. Nadeau, of Buck.

NUNNEY, Matthew, d. in Buckland, Nov. 21, 1861; m. Sarah —, who m. (2) John Hinds of Buckland. Children.

- i Mary Cornelia.
- ii Emily Jane, b. Deerfield, Dec. 4, 1852.
- iii Sarah, b. Buckland, Feb. 8, 1854.
- iv Matthew, b. Apr. 28, 1856.
- v Helen, b. Apr. 6, 1858.

OATES, Samuel, s. of William, b. in Sheffield, England; was in Buckland in 1900, where he d. Feb. 8, 1905, ae. 63 yrs.; m. Ann Spencer. Children:

- i Emily, b. in England; m. in Buckland, May 27, 1885, James C. M. Davenport; res. Detroit, Mich.
- ii Samuel, Jr., b. England; m. June 2, 1897, Cora B., dau. of Nelson and Diana B. Damon, of Williamsburg. Children: 1. Wayne, m. and lives Shelburne Falls. 2. Evelyn, m. Dean Griswold, lives Griswoldville, Colrain.

OATES, William, s. of Thomas and Sarah (Richards), was in Buck. in 1900; b. in England and d. Jan. 7, 1912, ae. 69 yrs.

O'Brien, Dennis, b. in Bethel, Vt.; m. Mary Finnegan, b. in Stratford, N. H. Children:

- i Margaret E., b. Oct. 5, 1882.
- ii Dennis M., b. Oct. 5, 1885.
- iii William, b. Nov. 8, 1890.
- iv Nellie, b. Dec. 4, 1891.
- v Timothy, b. Dec. 27, 1893.
- vi Catherine Agnes, b. Feb. 15, 1896.

1 O'BRIEN, James W., s. of Dennis, b. in Williamsburg; d. Feb. 1, 1931, ae. 74 yrs.; m. Mary E., dau. of Thomas O'Marra. She d. Feb. 17, 1908, ae. 51 yrs. Children, b. in Buckland:

- i Kate, b. Aug. 18, 1886; d. Aug. 27, 1886.
- 2 ii John Joseph, b. Nov. 11, 1888.
- iii Alice, twin, b. Dec. 9, 1890; m. Nov. 22, 1921, Joseph Moses John Gebo.
  - iv Michael, twin, b. Dec. 9, 1890.
  - v Abner F., b. Feb. 12, 1896; m. Dec. 27, 1925, Irene Edna, dau. of Joseph Buldoc of Colrain. He is a state patrolman.

2 John Joseph, s. of James W.(1), b. in Buck., Nov. 11, 1888; m. Oct. 2, 1912, Mildred F., dau. of Charles and Letitia Bishop, b. in Haverhill. He is a drop forger by trade. Resides State Street. Children:

- i May, b. May 1, 1913.
- ii Charles Bishop, b. Apr. 3, 1916.

O'BRIEN, William, s. of Daniel, b. in Ireland; d. May 9, 1886, ae. 66 yrs.; m. Honora —, who d. in Buckland, Dec. 11, 1880, ae. 52 yrs. Children:

- i Daughter, b. Sept. 18, 1868.
- ii Honora, b. in Buck.; m. Dec. 25, 1875, Thomas Heely.

O'BRIEN, William, and wife Hannah, had children:

1 William E., b. in Buck.; d. Mar. 26, 1909; m. Dec. 27, 1884, Mary, dau. of Patrick and Mary Burke. He was a R. R. employee. Children:

- i Mary, b. Nov. 18, 1885.

- ii Willie O., b. Mar. 15, 1888.
- iii Nellie, b. May 31, 1891.
- iv Louis, b. Nov. 5, 1892.
- v Luke P., b. Sept. 5, 1893; m. Aug. 13, 1917, Margaret Mary, dau. of Michael Hifko of No. Adams.
- vi Annie Belle, b. Dec. 19, 1895; m. Oct. 4, 1926, Arthur J. Moquin of Buck.
- vii Son, b. June 25, 1897.
- viii Margaret, b. Mar. 10, 1899.
- ix Cornelius, b. Sept. 9, 1900.
- x Cecilia, b. Nov. 22, 1902; d. July 10, 1903.

O'CONNELL, Mrs. Johanna, wife of Michael, dau. of David Fitzgerald, b. Ireland; d. in Buck., July 14, 1885, ae. 55 yrs.

O'CONNELL, Mary, d. July 2, 1871, ae. 50 yrs.

O'CONNELL, Michael, s. of Michael and Ellen (Fitzgerald), b. in Ireland; d. in Buck., Mar. 2, 1898, ae. 61 yrs.

O'CONNELL, Patrick, s. of Michael and Ellen (Fitzgerald) and brother of Michael above, was in Buckland in 1900, where he d. Aug. 4, 1905, ae. 74 yrs. Children:

- i Bridget, b. in Ireland; d. in Buck., Mar. 6, 1915, ae. 63 yrs., unm.
- ii Johanna, b. in Canada; m. Apr. 18, 1881, Patrick Kelliher.
- iii William, res. Buck.

O'CONNER, John J., s. of John J. and Hannah, b. in Thompsonville, Conn.; d. Jan. 4, 1930, ae. 59 yrs.; m. Nora O'Neil. Had:

- i Merwyn John, who m. Dec. 5, 1921, Adeline, dau. of Thomas Boullie.

O'CONNER, Matthew, d. Sept. 30, 1875, ae. 24 yrs.

O'CONNER, Patrick, s. of William and Hannah, b. in Ireland; d. Mar. 28, 1896, ae. 73 yrs.; m. Margaret. Had:

- i Henry P., d. June 16, 1882, ae. 15 yrs.

1 O'NEIL, John, b. in Ireland, a R. R. employee; d. Sept. 25, 1926, ae. 82 yrs.; m. Catherine Kelly, b. in Pittsfield. She d. Mar. 28, 1904, ae. 54 yrs. Children, b. Buck.:

- i William Henry, b. Dec. 17, 1873; d. Feb. 17, 1877.



- ii John —, d. Jan. 7, 1898, ae. ab. 25 yrs.
  - iii Rosanna, b. Nov. 3, 1875.
  - iv Rose (perh. Rosanna above), m. Jan. 7, 1903, Frank P. Wheeler of Buckland.
  - v Francis, b. Nov. 10, 1878; d. Oct. 23, 1883.
  - vi Catherine, b. Apr. 25, 1880.
  - 2 vii Thomas.
  - 3 viii Edward.
  - ix Joseph, b. Feb. 22, 1885; m. June 12, 1912, Laura, dau. of Henry LaPlant of Colrain.
  - x Margaret, b. Mar. 19, 1886.
  - xi Alice C., b. July 8 (1886 by t. records, evidently incorrect), m. Nov. 17, 1909, George L. Jones of Shelburne.
  - xii Sarah Frances, b. July 29, 1888; m. Jan. 10, 1914, William Adams of Altmar, N. Y.
  - xiii Frank, b. May 23, 1891.
  - xiv Willie C., b. Dec. 6, 1892; d. Apr. 28, 1909.
- 2 Thomas, s. of John(1), b. in Buck.; m. June 28, 1905, Grace A., dau. of Henry and Flora (Thayer) Mills. Children:
- i Harold, b. Mar. 27, 1906; d. May 27, 1907.
  - ii Carroll, b. June 6, 1908.
  - iii Son, b. Feb. 23, 1910.
  - iv Earl Thomas, b. Jan. 30, 1912; d. Apr. 1, 1912.
  - v Grace Carswell, b. Sept. 22, 1915; d. Oct. 8, 1918.
- 3 Edward, s. of John(1), b. Buck.; m. May 29, 1906, Elizabeth M., dau. of Patrick and Rose (Connors) Woods. She was b. in Buckland; d. Apr. 1, 1931, ae. 46 yrs. Children:
- i Kirby E., b. Feb. 12, 1908.
  - ii James John, b. and d. June 7, 1912.
- 1 ORCUTT, Thomas, s. of Edward of Hingham, came to Buck. from Goshen as early as 1806 when he was a voter in town. He m. Sally Carpenter. Children:
- 2 i Thomas, b. Sept. 19, 1807.
- 2 Thomas, s. of Thomas(1), b. in Buck., Sept. 19, 1807; d. Apr. 17, 1870, a most esteemed citizen of sterling worth. The community showed their appreciation by placing him in many

positions of trust and honor. He m. (1) Mar. 20, 1829, Abigail, dau. of Edmund Perkins. She d. Apr. 8, 1842, ae. 33 yrs. without children; m. (2) July 31, 1842, Minerva, dau. of Samuel and Sarah (Butler) Taylor. She was b. Oct. 23, 1816; d. Sept. 13, 1865; m. (3) Sept. 6, 1866, Cynthia, dau. of Levi and Betsey (Butler) Taylor, who d. Jan. 4, 1877. Children:

- i Thomas Ashton, b. May 27, 1843; m.; resided at Florence.
- ii Abigail Perkins, b. July 15, 1845; m. Nov. 9, 1866, Marcus Landphear.
- iii Sarah Delia, b. Jan. 2, 1847; m. Rev. Fayette Nichols.
- 3 iv Baxter A., b. July 6, 1849.
- v Celia Minerva, b. May 16, 1851; m. Nov. 3, 1870, Adolphus R. Martin; resided Chicopee Falls.

3 Baxter A., s. of Thomas(2), b. July 6, 1849, in Buck., d. Oct. 27 or 29, 1926; m. Nov. 22, 1870, Ellen M., dau. of Edmund and Mary (Freeman) Smith of Buck. She was b. 1852; d. Jan. 16, 1923, ae. 70 yrs. Children:

- i Marion Belle, b. Aug. 12, 1874; m. Sept. 23, 1908, Rev. Henry Ferguson of Chazy, N. Y.

Ost, Elias George, b. Mar. 28, 1831 in Kreutznach, Prussen, came to America about 1850 and to Buck. about 1870; d. Aug. 24, 1909. He m. June 16, 1855, Katharine Kron, b. in Münster St Prussen, Feb. 14, 1834; d. in Shelburne Falls, June 21, 1904. Children:

- i Franz Carl, b. Jan. 18, 1856 in Buck.
- ii Susanna Katharine, b. Apr. 7, 1857 in Buck.; m. Charles A. Bardwell of Shelburne Falls.
- iii Wilhelm Friedrich, b. Dec. 4, 1858; m. Addie May Rice of Charlemont, Sept. 26, 1881; res. Shelburne Falls.
- iv Ludwig Elias, b. Sept. 14, 1860; m. July 3, 1884 in Smartville, Neb., Mattie Mook; res. Seward, Neb.
- v Hermann S., b. Aug. 4, 1863; d. Feb. 15, 1907 in Shelburne Falls, unm.

Ott, Philip John, s. of Philip and Elizabeth, b. in Germany; was living in Buck. in 1900; d. Mar. 25, 1907, ae. 65 yrs. He m.

Ellen, dau. of Frederick and Mary (Sessler) Yetter, b. also in Germany; d. Feb. 15, 1899, ae. 52 yrs.

PACKARD, Everett L., m. July 3, 1861, Melvina H. Clark, both of Buck.

PACKARD, Everard, had a dau., b. June 15, 1862.

PACKARD, Luther, was a native of Cummington, for some time a merchant on the Buck. side at Shelburne Falls; d. May 4, 1899, ae. 79 yrs.

PACKARD, Martha A., of Buck., m. May 25, 1859, Lewis Abell of Goshen.

PACKARD, Ralph, was living in Buck. in 1900, d. 14 Apr. 1932; m. Rachel A., dau. of John Howes, b. in Enfield, Mass.; d. Mar. 15, 1923, ae. 71 yrs.

PACKARD, Royal L., s. of Philander and Mary, b. in Cummington; d. June 16, 1884, ae. 79 yrs., 10 mos. Although nearly eighty years of age he was mowing near his home when his sudden death occurred. He was a man well versed in civic affairs, holding many positions of responsibility. At the time of his death he was filling the offices of town clerk and treasurer for the seventeenth year. He m. Mercy H., dau. of Daniel and Abigail Hersey of Cummington. She d. Dec. 30, 1884, ae. 75 yrs. Children:

- i Charles N., res. Springfield.
- ii Cullen C., res. Kalamazoo, Mich.

PACKARD, Submit, wife of Joseph, d. Jan. 10, 1862, ae. 45 yrs.

PACKARD, Timothy, b. in Buckland; d. at Greensboro, Md., Mar. 14, 1868, ae. 67 yrs. His wife, Rebecca, d. Sept. 24, 1861, ae. 57 yrs. Had:

- i Rebecca, d. Aug. 27, 1859, ae. 25 yrs.
- ii S. W., who had a daughter, b. Jan. 16, 1848.

1 PAGE, Hudson, lived in Chesterfield and Westfield, m. Alice, dau. of Hezekiah Weeks. She d. Sept. 13, 1926, ae. 77 yrs. Had:

- i Arthur J., b. in Chesterfield.

2 Arthur J., s. of Hudson J.(1), b. in Chesterfield, is a painter living on Ashfield Street. He m. Dec. 23, 1900, Anna E., dau. of Jesse and Deiadamia (Woodward) Morse. Mrs. Page was a



member of the Committee for the preparation of the Buckland History. Children:

- i Arthur Alan, b. July 9, 1901; d. Sept. 18, 1901.
- ii Winthrop J., b. July 23, 1903; d. Jan. 23, 1904.
- iii Walter Owen, b. July 4, 1904; d. May 16, 1906.
- iv Theodore, b. Mar. 15, 1908; m. Aug. 12, 1933, Marjorie Thompson of Colrain.
- 3 v Philip Morse, b. Aug. 4, 1909.
- vi Doris, b. Sept. 24, 1912; m. Nov. 3, 1934; m. Louis Furlon of Monroe Bridge.

3 Philip Morse, s. of Arthur J.(2), b. Buckland, Aug. 4, 1909; m. Aug. 23, 1930, Lula L., dau. of William and Rose (Taylor) Scott. Child:

- i Philip William, b. Feb. 18, 1931.

PAGE, William H., b. in Vermont, a blacksmith by trade; m. Nettie A. Langdon. Had:

- i Eva Helen, b. July 19, 1885.

PARSONS, Stephen, came from Goshen early in 1838, and d. Aug. 27, 1838, ae. 50 yrs. He m. Mary Eldredge. Children:

- i Rhoda.
- ii Eunice, m. —.
- 2 iii Alvan, b. in Goshen, July 18, 1817.

2 Alvan, s. of Stephen(1), b. in Goshen, July 18, 1817, res. Buck. where he d. Mar. 6, 1883; m. Mary T., dau. of Ephraim and Mary (Tobey) Williams of Goshen and Buck. She d. Mar. 15, 1897, ae. 78 yrs. Children:

- i Noah D., d. Apr. 3 or 27, 1924, ae. 77 yrs.; m. Isabel Hayden of Shelburne. She d. Dec. 16, 1903, ae. 52 yrs.
- ii Stephen, not mentioned in mother's will.
- iii Ephraim, who lived at Charlemont.
- iv Kate A., m. — Babcock; res. Athol and Easthampton.
- v Annette, m. — Haskell of Buck.
- vi Eunice, m. — Wood of Easthampton.
- Perhaps also vii Clarissa.

PARTENHEIMER, Philip, s. of Nicholas and Eva, b. in Germany; d. Mar. 9, 1902, ae. 70 yrs.; m. (1) Christina, dau. of Christian Hildebrand. She was b. in Germany; d. in Buckland, May 9, 1892, ae. 59 yrs.; m. (2) Feb. 9, 1895, Mrs. Amelia Vice, dau. of Fred L. and Caroline Schoman. Children:

- i Mary, b. Greenfield; m. Apr. 20, 1875, William Hill; m. (2) Dec. 23, 1880, Frank A. Merrill.
- ii John William, d. Jan. 6, 1873, ae. 4 yrs.

PAUL, Francis, m. Oct. 14, 1835, Sally, dau. of Elijah and Mehitabel (Pratt) Thayer. Child:

- i Jennie L., b. July 19, 1843.

PAUL, John and Mary (Herring) had:

- i Victoria, b. at Providence, R. I.; m. Nov. 27, 1902, John C. Cardwell of Buckland.

PAUL, Joseph, b. St. David, Canada, living here in 1900; m. Clara Bergeron, b. in Green Island, Canada. Children:

- i Cora, b. Feb. 24, 1899.
- ii Eva Josephine, b. Apr. 16, 1903.
- iii Jeanette F., b. Feb. 19, 1908; d. Jan. 14, 1931.

PAUL, Joseph and Dorilla (Morier) had:

- i William J., b. Georgeville, R. I.; m. Apr. 28, 1909, Lillian, dau. of George Hurst of Buckland.

PEEBLES, Patrick, was a voter in Buckland in 1806.

PELTON, Cale, (Ithamar<sup>5</sup>, Phineas<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, Samuel<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 27, 1769 at Chatham, Conn.; d. in Buckland, Feb. 24, 1843; m. Oct. 3, 1790, Esther Crittenden, of Colchester, Conn. She was pr. b. Mar. 18, 1768; d. in Buckland, July 25, 1844. They removed to Buck. in 1794. Children:

- i Albert, b. in Conn., Nov. 11, 1792; d. Feb. 19, 1795.
- ii Charles, b. Sept. 16, 1794; m. Nov. 28, 1819, Lucinda Merrill; d. July 25, 1854.
- 2 iii Albert, b. June 22, 1796.
- 3 iv Walter H., b. Mar. 22, 1798.
- v Phineas, b. Feb. 18, 1800; d. Mar. 15, 1800.
- vi Elizabeth H., b. Mar. 30, 1801; m. Asa Davis.

- vii Luther E., b. May 25, 1803; m. Oct. 25, 1827, Eunice, dau. of Silas Dodge of Hawley; rem. to N. Y. State.
- viii Cyrus B., b. Apr. 1, 1805; m. Apr. 17, 1827, Thirza S. Merrill; rem. to N. Y. State.
- ix Hiram, b. 1807; rem. to N. Y. State.
- x Elias, S., b. Nov. 12, 1809; rem. to N. Y. State.
- xi Cale, Jr., b. Sept. 1811; grad. Yale Col.; 1840 teacher in Philadelphia where he d.
- xii John O., b. Sept. 25, 1814; rem. to Mich.

2 Albert, s. of Cale(1), b. June 22, 1796; d. Buckland, Sept. 14, 1874; m. (1) Apr. 19, 1821, Rhoda, dau. of Jesse Pratt; she d. Nov. 11, 1829, ae. 32 yrs.; m. (2) Oct. 16, 1833, Sarah M., dau. of John Cross of Leyden; she d. Sept. 14, 1874. Children:

- i Sarah Rhoda, b. Aug. 13, 1834; m. Nov. 30, 1854, Jared, son of Jacob Gragg of Colrain; resided Buck.
- ii Lucy A., b. May 15, 1842; m. May 1, 1867, Rev. Noble Fiske; res. Grafton, N. H.

3 Walter H., s. of Cale(1), b. Mar. 22, 1798, left town in 1837, going first to N. Y. State and later to Mich.; m. Sept. 20, 1820, Betsey Ward of Buck. She d. Oct. 1, 1834, ae. 37 yrs.; m. (2) Aug. 15, 1835, Sophia, dau. of Charles Hawks of Deerfield; m. (3) Nov. 1854, Widow Eunice Bassett. She d. Sept. 14, 1876. Children:

- i Mary B., b. 1820.
- ii Elizabeth, b. Sept. 16, 1822.
- iii Joseph, b. 1824; d. 1825.
- iv George F., b. Jan. 9, 1829.
- v Rhoda Angelia, b. June 10, 1832.

1 PERKINS, Edmund, was here as early as 1790; d. Jan. 14, 1821, ae. 56 yrs.; m. Rebecca, dau. of Samuel Brackett, who was b. in Upton, Feb. 2, 1768; d. Oct. 12, 1829 or 1830. Children:

- i Sally, b. 1793; m. Mar. 26, 1818, Josiah Ward.
- 2 ii Samuel, b. Mar. 5, 1795.
- 3 iii Alfred, b. Apr. 20, 1797.
- iv Lucy, d. June 19, 1857, ae. 58, unm.
- v Cynthia, d. June 10, 1830, ae. 30 yrs. (Ch. rec.) (Lucy and Cynthia were mentioned in the will of their



aunt, Lois Brackett, and Cynthia, in will of her sister, Lucy Perkins).

- vi Edmund, Jr., rem. to Minn.
- vii Abigail, m. Thomas Orcutt, Mar. 20, 1829; she d. Apr. 18, 1842, ae. 33 yrs.

2 Samuel, s. of Edmund(1), b. Mar. 5, 1795; d. May 22, 1855; m. (1) Oct. 8, 1818, Sophia Crosset, who d. Mar. 30, 1839, ae. 42 yrs.; m. (2) Aug. 28, 1839, Laura, dau. of Zenas Graham; she d. Oct. 16, 1876, ae. 68 yrs. Children:

- i Olive Sophia, b. 1820; d. Feb. 19, 1822.
- ii Olive Sophia, b. 1823; d. Oct. 21, 1835.
- iii Eliza, b. 1826; d. July 10, 1830.
- iv Samuel, b. 1828; d. July 15, 1830.
- v Abigail Sophia, b. Aug. 4, 1842; m. May 12, 1869, Alpheus Crocker; res. Sunderland.
- vi Charles, b. July 24, 1844; d. Nov. 14, 1852.
- vii Lucy L., b. Apr. 2, 1847; m. May 30, 1869, Samuel B. Taylor; he d. Feb. 20, 1930.
- viii Samuel G., b. May 19, 1849; m. Apr. 1875, Edesse Alice Rousseau.

3 Alfred, s. of Edmund(1), b. Apr. 20, 1797; m. — Nov. 2, 1820, Jane, dau. of Jeremiah Ward of Buckland. She was b. June 9, 1797; d. in Lakeville, Minn., Aug. 30, 1880. Children, order unknown:

- i Apollos, killed Oct. 28, 1850, ae. 21 yrs., by the bursting of a grindstone in the factory of Zur Hitchcock.
- ii Sophia E., d. Oct. 13, 1852, ae. 18 yrs.
- iii Ashman, m. Feb. 3, 1852, Lucina, dau. of Orpheus Dole.
- 4 iv Edward D., b. ab. 1823.
- v Jane C., m. Nov. 25, 1847, Charles G. Newcomb of Bernardston.
- vi C. N., m. E. M. —, and had Callie, b. Dec. 1, 1852; d. Nov. 22, 1869.

4 Edward D., s. of Alfred(3), b. ab. 1823; d. June 16, 1879; m. Lucy A. Wheeler, b. in Guilford, Vt.; d. Dec. 19, 1907, ae. 83 yrs. Children:

- i Alfred, b. June 1, 1858.

- ii Jennie, m. Nov. 19, 1873, Emerson J. Griswold of Buckland. She d. Apr. 3, 1898, ae. 46 yrs.

PERKINS, Edward Stillman, m. Nov. 26, 1853, Hepzibah O., dau. of Chandler and Jerusha (Jones) Carter, of Buckland. She was b. Apr. 10, 1834. Children:

- i Lyman T., b. Sept. 29, 1854; Cashier in Dallas, Texas.
- ii George William, b. Dec. 8, 1856; res. Chicago, Ill.; organ maker.
- iii Charles E., b. Feb. 20, 1860; resided Shelburne Falls.
- iv Henry A., b. Oct. 3, 1862; organ maker; res. Oneonta, N. Y.
- v Frank F., b. May 24, 1864.
- vi Fred W., b. May 25, 1866.
- vii Alta M., b. June 16, 1868.
- viii Alma J., b. July 1, 1870; d. Sept. 18, 1871.
- ix Hattie O., b. June 28, 1872.
- x John B., b. Jan. 3, 1874.
- xi Lula M., b. Oct. 14, 1876; d. Nov. 1, 1878.

PERKINS, Rufus, was here in 1790, with his family of one male under sixteen and four females.

PERKINS, Horace, d. at Saratoga Springs, N. Y. (G. R.), Aug. 19, 1840, ae. 24 yrs.

PERKINS, Rebecca, m. June 2, 1860, Ansel R. Kinsley of Eureka, Minn.

PERKINS, S. A., had:

- i Etta M., b. Aug. 18, 1862.
- ii Cora E., b. Oct. 29, 1864.

PERRY, Charles, of Buckland, d. Aug. 6, 1863; wife was Lorinda; child Emma Jane, b. Mar. 20, 1849.

PERRY, Linus E., d. Jan. 8, 1899, ae. 82 yrs.; m. June 8, 1847, Achsah, dau. of William Thayer. She d. Dec. 1, 1856, ae. 41 yrs. Had:

- i Benjamin Isaac, b. Mar. 1, 1848.

PERRY, Morris J., s. of Royal and Melinda (Grant), b. Georgetown, N. Y.; cutler by occupation; d. Sept. 23, 1923, ae. 60 yrs.; m. Elsie, dau. of Clark Bass of Buckland. Had:

- i Gladys I., b. in Buckland, June 6, 1899; m. June 19, 1918, Edward H. Burchard; res. Heath.

PETERS, Edward L., s. of John and Mary (Champeaux), b. Canada; d. Jan. 24, 1930, ae. 64 yrs.; m. Mary, dau. of T. and Mary Bolduc, Feb. 6, 1894. Children:

- i George Edward, b. ab. 1894; m. Violet M. Kezloski, of Sunderland.
- ii Son, b. Feb. 9, 1896.
- iii Son, b. Sept. 1897.

PETERS, Edward, had:

- i Jennie E., m. Aug. 2/12, 1894, Albert Herring.

PETERS, George Edward, b. Buck. (perh. s. of Edward L., above), m. Marjorie Francis, b. in Ontario. Resides South Street. Children:

- i Son, b. Nov. 14, 1917.
- ii Alice Edith, b. July 20, 1919.
- iii Son, b. Feb. 13, 1921.
- iv Pearl Irene, b. Jan. 30, 1923.
- v Raymond, b. June 19, 1924.
- vi Sherman K., b. Dec. 31, 1925; d. Apr. 22, 1926.
- vii Louise Rebecca, b. May 31, 1927.

PETERS, Edward, m. Rebecca Marcy. Had:

- i William Lawrence, b. ab. 1898, lives State Street, Buckland; m. Jan. 17, 1930, Alice Helen, dau. of Benjamin and Bessie Eastman of Buckland. They had: Lawrence William, b. July 21, 1931.

PETERS, Henry, lumberman, one record reports place of birth as Bennington, Vt.; another as in state of New Hampshire; m. Lena Bulzwick, b. in Canada. Lives Sears Street. Children:

- i Florence, b. Nov. 21, 1892; m. Dec. 24, 1910, Clarence B. Spencer.
- ii Rosanna, b. July 25, 1894; m. Oct. 19, 1914, William Briggs of Greenfield.
- iii John.

PETERS, Lena R., b. in Buckland; m. John Sommers.



PETERS, Nelson, s. of John and Mary Champeaux, b. in Mass., Vt., N. H., according to different records; d. Nov. 5, 1924, ae. 63 yrs.; m. Elizabeth Bushey; she lived in Heath after the death of her husband. Children:

- i Julia, m. Nov. 8, 1907, Victor Pelitier of Shelburne.
- ii Lillian R., m. Aug. 23, 1920, Clovis Lively of Heath.
- iii Leon Nelson, m. Apr. 23, 1923, Phillipine A., dau. of Levi and Mary Lively of Heath.
- iv Lena M., b. Buckland, June 9, 1893; m. Nov. 17, 1920, William Thackary; res. Buckland.
- v Arthur Henry, b. Jan. 24, 1901; d. Feb. 10, 1902.
- vi Arthur I., b. Dec. 14, 1902; m. June 28, 1926, Lora, dau. of Thomas Lucia of Shelburne.
- vii Thomas E., b. May 14, 1904; m. June 21, 1926, Minnie R., dau. of Felix Voran of Shelburne; res. Colrain.
- viii Georgianna E., b. June 26, 1907; res. Greenfield.
- ix Minnie A., b. July 5, 1911; res. Heath.
- x Cecilia, d. Oct. 23, 1912, ae. 6 yrs.
- xi Albert, died; left son Alfred in Springfield.

1 Pfersick, Conrad and Catherine (Zimmerman) in Germany, had children:

- 2 i Conrad J.
- 3 ii Jacob.
- iii John, who now resides in Ashfield.
- 4 iv George.

2 Conrad J., s. of Conrad(1), d. June 12, 1912, ae. 77 yrs.; m. (1) Harriet, dau. of John and Sarah Booker. She was b. in England; d. Oct. 10, 1886, ae. 48 yrs.; m. (2) Anna, dau. of Christian and Anna Oefinger, Dec. 26, 1886. She m. (2) July 22, 1914, William Middlesdorf; res. Shelburne Falls. Children:

- i Sarah, b. in Buckland; m. Oct. 26, 1879, Christian Oefinger; res. Northampton.
- ii Farewell, b. July 17, 1871; m. Dec. 23, 1907, Bertha L., dau. of Thomas and Rosa L. Marshall of Buckland; res. Shelburne Falls.
- iii Jacob, b. Aug. 28, 1874; d. Sept. 1, 1877.
- iv Martha, b. Aug. 23, 1876; d. Aug. 27, 1877.
- v Albert, b. Sept. 5, 1881; res. Buck.

- vi William, b. Mar. 20, 1887; d. July 31, 1887.
- vii Conrad, b. Oct. 8, 1888; res. New York City.
- viii Walter, res. Northampton.
- ix Julius, res. Buck.

3 Jacob, s. of Conrad(1), b. in Germany; d. Sept. 7, 1902, ae. 53 yrs.; m. Kate Zimmerman. Children:

- i Jacob G., b. Feb. 16, 1873; m. (1) Oct. 11, 1898, Helen May Foster, b. Concord, N. H.; m. a second time; is a veterinarian, residing in Greenfield. Had, in Buck., Virginia May, b. Oct. 20, 1899. She is m. and resides in Greenfield.
- ii Kate, b. Aug. 31, 1875; d. Jan. 3, 1879.
- iii Kate A., b. Jan. 17, 1880; m. May 6, 1903, Edgar C. Feige of Buckland.
- iv Charles C., b. Apr. 15, 1882; m. Aug. 8, 1906, Mary Ann, dau. of William and Mary Gill; three children. Res. New Britain, Conn.
- v Mabel S., b. July 26, 1885; m. Dec. 14, 1909, Dr. Frank O. Cass of Derby Line, Vt.
- vi Bertha L., m. Nov. 13, 1911, William Edward Smith, of Derby Line, Vt.

4 George, s. of Conrad(1), d. Oct. 8, 1911 in Westboro; m. Johanna —, Apr. 18, 1865. Children:

- i Katherine, b. in Buckland; m. Nov. 8, 1893, Caspar E. Bickel; res. Greenfield.
- ii George A., res. Terryville, Conn.
- iii Edward, res. Shelburne Falls.

PHELPS, Edward, of Salisbury, Vt.; m. Sept. 3, 1812, Minerva Butler of Buck.

PHELPS, John and Charlotte E., had:

- i Charles, b. in Ireland; m. in Buck., Feb. 11, 1877, Maggie, dau. of John and Jane McSorley.

PHELPS, John and Lurancy Ellis, both of Buck., were m. Jan. 6, 1799.

PHELPS, Susanna, m. Joseph Wilder of Buck.

PHILLIPS, Adeline M., d. July 19, 1872, ae. 33 yrs.

PHILLIPS, Albert L., of Buck., d. in Northampton, Nov. 9, 1861, ae. 19 yrs.

PHILLIPS, Alonzo, b. in Ashfield; m. Eliza A. Green, b. in Buck. Had:

- i Archie Truman, b. Nov. 26, 1879.

PHILLIPS, Benjamin, s. of Edward and Laura, b. in Lynn; lawyer; m. Dec. 24, 1890, Clara Elizabeth, dau. of William A. and Eliza S. Clark of Buck.

1 PHILLIPS, Elijah (Capt. Philip<sup>3</sup>, Thomas, Sr.<sup>2</sup>, Capt. John<sup>1</sup> of Easton), b. in Ashfield. Thomas Phillips was the second man to settle in Ashfield, then called Huntstown. Had fifteen children, names of some supposed to have been:

- 2 i Elijah, Jr.
  - ii Submit, pub. with Ariel Ware, Jan. 21, 1797.
  - iii Mercy, m. Elihu Vebber, Nov. 10, 1797.
  - iv Ruth, b. Feb. 6, 1779; m. Feb. 4, 1802, Rufus Johnson.
  - v Rufus, m. Mary (Polly), dau. of Zephaniah Richmond, who was b. in 1793.
  - vi Joseph L., who sold his Buckland property and in 1879, rem. to California. Had in Buck., a daughter, b. Nov. 18, 1868; daughter, b. Nov. 9, 1870.

2 Elijah, s. of Elijah(1), b. in Ashfield. Petition for administration of his estate made Mar. 13, 1840. Had a blacksmith shop at the "Upper City"; m. Fanny Rude, who d. May 1862, ae. 75 yrs. Children:

- i Caroline, b. in Ashfield, Nov. 1, 1804; m. Alvin Rud-dock of Buck.; d. Mar. 29, 1875.
- ii Lebbeus Rude, b. in Ashfield, Nov. 2, 1806; res. Groton.
- iii Simeon, b. in Ashfield, Jan. 27, 1809; res. N. Y. City.
- iv Calista S., b. in Ashfield, Dec. 2, 1811; m. Merrick Smith; res. Lamoille, Ill.
- v Fannie P., b. in Ashfield, Mar. 29, 1814; m. Jonathan Vincent of Buck.; removed West.
- vi Catherine A., b. in Ashfield, June 6, 1816; d. unm., Mar. 7, 1835.
- vii Elijah B., b. in Buckland, Aug. 26, 1818; rem. to Lamoille, Ill.



- viii Lydia M., b. in Buckland, Dec. 21, 1820; m. Joshua Cranson.
- 3 ix Augustine W., b. Mar. 22, 1823.  
x Maria, b. Apr. 17, 1827; m. Perley Shumway; res. Mich.
- 3 Augustine W., s. of Elijah(2), b. Mar. 22, 1823; m. (1) Nov. 28, 1845, Hannah R., dau. of Daniel Maynard. She was b. Jan. 3, 1826; d. July 28, 1848; m. (2) Mar. 12, 1851, Maria, dau. of George Nutting, b. June 30, 1822. Children:
- i Infant dau., d. July 28, 1848.
  - ii Rosina Maria, b. Dec. 20, 1851; m. Edwin A. Davis of Northampton; res. Glendale, Cal.
  - iii Mary Ellis, b. 1853; m. Nov. 30, 1870, Elijah Shaw.
  - iv Fannie Smith, b. —, 1855; d. —.
  - v Stanley A., May 15, 1857; m. Martha Lampson; res. Amherst.
  - vi Hattie, b. Apr. 4, 1859; m. Fred D. Kellogg.
  - vii Grace, b. Mar. 14, 1863; m. Edward N. Huntress; res. Pittsfield, Mass.

PHILLIPS, Jerusha, dau. of Israel, m. Isaac Shepard. They lived at the Four Corners until removal to New York State.

PHILLIPS, John W., s. of Israel and Sabrina, b. Ashfield; a painter; d. Jan. 1, 1893, ae. 58 yrs.; m. Duvernez, dau. of Lucius Reniff, of Buckland. She m. (2) Lorenzo K. Scott, and d. June 15, 1916, a widow. Children:

- i Fuella Maria, b. Mar. 24, 1879.
- ii Winsor Lucius, b. Feb. 28, 1881; m. May 24, 1904, Rose M., dau. of Ebenezer and Ardila Burnham of Conway.
- iii Eugene Millard, b. July 6, 1883; res. Conway.
- iv Lucy I., b. July 12, 1885; m. Aug. 31, 1910, George Fritz of Buck.
- v Florence E., b. July 22, 1887; m. Cleveland of Amherst.

PHILLIPS, F. Scott, had dau. Sylvene Fidelia, b. Dec. 1, 1868.

PHILLIPS, Lemuel J., early of Ashfield, d. May 12, 1866; m. Feb. 1858, Elizabeth, dau. of Amasa Holbrook of Buck. She was b. Sept. 25, 1838, and m. (2) May 12, 1867, Jerome Thompson

of Halifax, Vt. She now lives with her daughter, Mrs. H. E. Maxam, at Shelburne Falls. Children, b. Buckland:

- i Wendell, b. Aug. 24, 1861; d. 1866.
- ii Florence, b. Dec. 25, 1862; m. Hardy E. Maxam of Colrain; res. Shelburne Falls.

PHILLIPS, Ruth, b. Feb. 6, 1779; m. Feb. 4, 1802, Rufus Johnson; d. Dec. 27, 1842, in Ind.

PICKEL, see BICKEL.

1 PIERCE, Josiah, was a revolutionary pensioner living in Buck. in 1832, at the age of 81 yrs. Had:

- 2 i Richard.

2 Richard, s. of Josiah(1), was a voter in Buckland in 1822; m. Sally. Children:

- i Horace Rudd, b. July 5, 1818.
- ii Dorcas Emeline, b. Oct. 28, 1819.
- iii Robert Williams, b. Feb. 14, 1821; rem. to Milwaukee, Mich., in 1844.
- iv Seth, b. Dec. 14, 1822.
- v Sarah Fales, b. Oct. 28, 1823.
- vi Albert Lysander, b. Jan. 27, 1825.

PIERCE, Julius F., and Mary A., had:

- i Daughter, b. June 10, 1868.

PIERCE, Marcus W., s. of William and Lydia, b. in Petersham; d. Dec. 13, 1890, ae. 68 yrs.; m. Samantha A., dau. of Nathaniel Wilder of Wendell. She d. Oct. 6, 1900, ae. 73 yrs. They had an adopted daughter, Minnie M., who m. Apr. 20, 1884, Clarence H. Hubbard.

PIERCE, Morris E., b. Fairview, N. J.; m. Mabel Cook, b. in New Hampshire. Resided for a time in Buck., removing thence to Greenfield. Had:

- i Robert Arthur, b. in Buckland, Nov. 10, 1890; d. July 7, 1891.

POMEROY, Mrs. Abiah S., formerly wife of Asahel of Southampton, dau. of Henry and Eunice Taylor, b. Feb. 26, 1818; m. June 5, 1867, Ferdinand C. Bartlett.

POMEROY, Edward D., b. Jan. 27, 1839; d. May 19, 1912; m. Rachel L., dau. of Ezekiel Eldredge, b. in Goshen; d. in Buckland, June 23, 1891, ae. 48 yrs. Children:

- i Fred E., res. Chester.
- ii Abbie R., m. Pond; res. Torrington, Conn.
- iii Artemas B., b. July 17, 1869; res. Wilbraham.
- iv Charles D.

1 POMEROY, Enos, s. of Stephen, was a clothier here as early as 1790; selectman; representative, 1809, 1810, 1813; d. Mar. 26, 1826, ae. 64 yrs. His wife Lucy, d. Jan. 6, 1847, ae. 80 yrs. Children, order unknown:

- 2 i Calvin, b. Buck., Oct. 26, 1798.
- ii Stephen, bap. May—, 1792; m. Jan. 18, 1809, Dorothy, dau. of Elias Carter. She was b. after 1783, sett. in Ill. Had 12 children.
- iii Enos, bap. May —, 1792; became a lawyer and lived at Rochester, N. Y.
- iv Pamelia B., b. Dec. 2, 1787; m. Mar. 15, 1809, Phineas Bartlett of Conway.
- v Lucy L., bap. Jan. 19, 1794; m. June 17, 1812, Forbes Lackley of Palmyra, N. Y.
- vi Sabra, bap. May—, 1792; m. Sept. 20, 1813, Silas Benton of Ridgeway, N. Y.
- vii Luther, bap. July 24, 1796.
- viii Electa, b. Feb. 8, 1801; m. Apr. 6 or 25, 1821, Silas Trowbridge of Buck.; d. Jan. 22, 1872.
- ix Tryphena, bap. Feb. 16, 1806.
- x Achsah, d. Oct. 21, 1824, ae. 21 yrs. at Palmyra, N. Y.

2 Calvin, s. of Enos(1), b. Buck., Oct. 26, 1798; d. Duquoin, Ill., Oct. 18, 1865; m. (1) Sept. 5, 1820, Rachel, dau. of Jesse Pratt. She d. June 10, 1822, ae. 22 yrs.; m. (2) May 1824, Fannie, dau. of Alpheus Brooks. She was b. Feb. 17, 1801; d. at Duquoin, Ill., June 14, 1863. Children:

- i Infant son, d. Nov. 30, 1820.
- ii Emily Brooks, b. Apr. 1, 1822; m. William R. Pitts of Honeoye, N. Y.
- iii Rachel S., b. Feb. 10, 1825; m. Daniel S. Baker; res. West Brookfield, N. Y.



- iv Infant daughter, d. July 10, 1826.
- v Luther L., d. Feb. 18, 1832, ae. 5 mos.
- vi Lucy Edwards, b. Sept. 12, 1831; m. Augustus W. Skinner, res. Duquoin, Ill.

PORTER, A. B., was living here in 1900.

PORTER, Edward, a Revolutionary soldier, was living in Buck. in 1832, ae. 84 yrs.

PORTER, Jemima, wife of John, d. Feb. 3, 1844, age 28 yrs.

PORTER, JOHN, Dea., d. Feb. 27, 1872, ae. 80 yrs. For a fuller account of his life see the main part of this work. He served the town often and well as a public official, holding the offices of town clerk, assessor, selectman, Justice of the Peace, postmaster, representative and member of the Governor's Council. For years he was a deacon in the Congregational church. About 1860 he removed to Cedar Falls, Iowa, but soon returned to Buckland. He m. Jan. 1, 1812, Mary, dau. of Japhet Chapin of Buckland. She was b. Aug. 21, 1789; d. July 6, 1872, age 83 yrs. No own children; adopted William T. Chapin, name changed to William Chapin Porter. He d. Cedar Falls, Ia., 1863. His wife, Mary Lovina, d. Oct. 1, 1863, ae. 19 yrs.

PORTER, H. E., had a daughter, Georgie E., who m. Jan. 22, 1873, Frank T. Hall of Northampton.

PORTER, Levi, m. Dec. 19, 1841, Nancy M., dau. of David W. T. Jones, both of Buck. Their son Joshua Phillips, b. Apr. 10, 1848; d. at the age of 17 mos.

PORTER, Nathan, gr-son of Rev. Nehemiah Porter of Ashfield, d. Aug. 4, 1881, ae. 93 yrs.; m. Sept. 21, 1814, Elizabeth Taylor of Buckland. Had:

- i Dwight Wells, b. Ashfield; d. in Buck., June 4, 1892, ae. 74 yrs.; left a widow, Julia A.

PORTER, Reuben, d. in Buckland, Feb. 13, 1868, ae. 88 yrs. He was formerly of Heath; m. Persis. Children (pr. b. in Heath):

- i Barnabas S., lived Colrain.
- ii Sally, m. Calvin G. Coates; res. Heath.
- iii Lydia M., m. Joel S. Wood of Westerly, R. I.
- iv Almira P., m. Asahel Hawks of Buck.
- v Lucinda, m. Almon Hawks of So. Deerfield.

POWERS, James, b. Ireland; d. in Buckland, Mar. 5, 1910, ae. 85 yrs. Left no heirs.

POWERS, James, b. Ireland; m. Elizabeth Hogan, b. Pownal, Vt. Children:

- i Nellie, b. Buckland, Mar. 2, 1880.
- ii Mary, b. Nov. 10, 1882.

POWERS, Luke, b. Ireland; m. Bridget Burke; she d. Apr. 3, 1890. Children, b. in Buckland:

- i Mary, b. Mar. 14, 1877.
- ii Maggie, b. Oct. 29, 1878.
- iii Kate F., b. Mar. 12, 1882.

POWERS, Michael, s. of James and Honora, b. in Ireland, a cutler; d. in Buck., Jan. 20, 1876, ae. 29 yrs. He m. Ellen Costello, b. in Williamstown. Children:

- i James, b. Sept. 3, 1874; d. Jan. 24, 1875.
- ii Michael, b. May 20, 1876.

POWERS, Patrick, d. Mar. 28, 1868, leaving only a widow, Bridget.

1 POWERS, Richard M., b. in Pittsford, Vt., May 10, 1816; d. Apr. 9, 1882; m. Aug. 5, 1839, at Greenfield, Mass., Ann Eliza Steigerwalt. She was b. at Lancaster, Penn., Apr. 2, 1819; d. Apr. 2, 1889 at Buck., where the family lived from about 1865 on. Children:

- i Richard M., Jr., b. in Greenfield, Nov. 26, 1840; d. in Chelsea, May 7, 1917.
- 2 ii Charles F., b. in Greenfield, July 19, 1842.
- iii John R., b. in Greenfield, Nov. 4, 1844; d. in Shel. Falls, Sept. —, 1928.
- iv George H., b. in Greenfield, July 29, 1847; m. Lizzie Russell. Res. Shelburne Falls.
- 3 v James Dean, b. Colrain, Nov. 16, 1851.
- vi Julia A. R., b. Colrain, July 30, 1854; d. Sept. 1, 1870, in Shel. Falls.
- vii Emma, b. in Heath, Jan. 28, 1861; d. May 16, 1861.
- viii Katy, b. in Heath, Nov. 26, 1862; d. Oct. 1, 1873, in Shel. Falls.

2 Charles F., s. of Richard M.(1), b. in Greenfield, July 19, 1842; d. May 13, 1917, ae. 74 yrs.; lived in Buckland for many years. He m. Jennie Marion Trask. Children:

- i Jennie B., b. in 1870; m. Sept. 15, 1892, Edward C. Rice of Greenfield, where they reside.
- ii Mabel K., b. in 1874; m. Fred E. Merrick (deceased) of Shelburne Falls. She now lives in the South.

3 James Dean, s. of Richard M.(1), b. in Colrain, Nov. 16, 1851, was Station Agent; m. Apr. 17, 1878, Ellen E., dau. of William and Abbie R. Wheeler. Had:

- i Ruby Maud, b. in Buck., June 4, 1884.

PRATT, Mrs. Almira, d. Dec. 7, 1834, ae. 33 yrs. (Ch. rec.)

PRATT, Jesse (Josiah<sup>5</sup>, Josiah<sup>4</sup>, Samuel<sup>3</sup>, Samuel<sup>2</sup>, Matthew<sup>1</sup>), b. in Foxboro, May 12, 1761; rem. to Buckland about 1790, coming from Foxboro; d. Feb. 4, 1841. He m. Mary Rhodes, who d. May 29, 1852, ae. 84 yrs.; Jesse Pratt was a Revolutionary soldier enlisting at Foxboro. Children:

- i Rhoda, b. 1797; m. Apr. 19, 1821, Albert Pelton of Buck.; d. 1829.
- ii Polly, b. —, 1800; m. Apr. 25, 1816, John C. Ward.
- iii Rachel, m. Sept. 5, 1820, Calvin Pomeroy.
- iv Abigail, b. Oct. 1, 1804; m. (1) Lucius Hartwell; m. (2) Chandler Carter, Nov. 27, 1845; d. Feb. 9, 1903. A "Real Daughter" of the American Revolution, member of Dorothy Quincy Hancock Chapter, Greenfield, Mass.
- v Esther, m. Hiram Lazell, of Chataqua, N. Y., Sept. 28, 1817.
- 2 vi Emmons, b. June 20, 1802.
- vii Lucy.
- viii Jesse, twin; d. young.
- ix Betsey, twin, d. young.

2 Emmons, s. of Jesse(1), b. June 20, 1802; d. Sept. or Oct. 29, 1855; m. Jan. 20, 1825, Priscilla Sears. She was b. Dec. 31, 1805; d. June 6, 1866. Children, order unknown:

- i Mary, b. Oct. 24, 1825; d. Oct. 26, 1825.
- ii Lucy E., m. Theodore Wood of Buck., Oct. 12, 1848.



- iii Emily, m. Stephen Allis Taylor, Oct. 30, 1849.
- iv Angeline, d. Feb. 18, 1832, ae. 3 yrs.
- v Katherine M., m. Enoch J. Stockwell, Dec. 6, 1865.
- vi Elizabeth F., d. May 7, 1838, ae. 5 yrs.
- vii Angeline A., b. Mar. 5, 1835; m. Jan. 11, 1852, Pindar F. Cooley of Hawley. Hers was the first wedding ceremony in the church and took place between the morning service and Sunday school. She d. 1935 in Pittsfield.
- viii Priscilla, m. Frank O. Pierce.
- ix Mary, m. Benjamin Carter.
- x Ella, m. Marcus Woodward.
- xi Emmons D., d. Mar. 31, 1870, ae. 19 yrs.

1 PRATT, Josiah, a nephew of Jesse above, settled in Buck. as early as 1806; d. Dec. 3, 1858, ae. 89 yrs.; selectman. He m. Sarah —, who d. Mar. 13, 1841, ae. 72 yrs. Children:

- i Alvan, bp. Apr. 29, 1805.
- ii Fanny, d. Oct. 15, 1864, ae. 51 yrs., unm.

2 iii Rodolphus, b. May 15, 1810.

2 Rodolphus, s. of Josiah(1), b. in Buck., May 15, 1810; d. Jan. 12, 1896; m. May 21, 1852, Elvira, dau. of Joshua and Laura (Taylor) Boyden of Shelburne and Buck. She was b. July 27, 1812, and d. at Oberlin, Ohio, Jan. 26, 1900. Had:

3 i Alton L., b. Dec. 17, 1854 at Shelburne.

3 Alton L., s. of Rodolphus(2), b. at Shelburne, Dec. 17, 1854; m. (1) Sept. 19, 1875, Ida M., dau. of Charles and Elizabeth Hartwell of Deerfield. She d. June 30, 1876; m. (2) Apr. 26, 1879, Julia Electa, dau. of Charles Wilder of Buckland. Children:

- i Walter L., b. 1881; lives Waterbury, Conn.
- ii Mable, b. 1883; m. Arthur Kay; lives Morristown, N. J.
- iii Carrie A., b. Apr. 1887; m. June 30, 1911, Joseph W. Shaw of Buckland.
- iv Milly, b. 1889; m. Laurence Rice; res. Greenfield.
- v Willard A., b. Apr. 20, 1891; m. May 22, 1918, Ellen Boyle; is assistant postmaster. Has: 1. Katherine, b. Apr. 27, 1919.

- vi Lyle Clifford, b. Aug. 23, 1894; m. Mary Crean, b. in Montreal, Canada; had Richard D., b. June 19, 1924; res. Bloomfield, Conn.

PRATT, Luther, was a voter here in 1822; selectman, assessor, overseer of the poor. With his wife, Minerva, was known to have been living here as late as Nov. 1850. Had:

- i Martin L., "only child," d. May 26, 1848, ae. 21 yrs. (Cemetery record.)

PRATT, Orrin, m. Sept. 23, 1844, Fanny Irene, dau. of Zephaniah and Fannie (Moore) Richmond. She was b. June 3, 1826. Children:

- i Charles Adams, b. Feb. 23, 1848.  
ii Helen.  
iii William.  
iv Henry.

PRATT, Dea. S. Brainard, s. of Rufus and Bethiah (Loring), b. in Westmoreland, N. Y., Dec. 15, 1826. His active business life of more than fifty years was spent in Boston. Retiring in 1898, he came to Buckland where he made his home until his death, Aug. 23, 1903. He left his wife, Ellen C. Pratt; a daughter, Mrs. E. A. Robinson (Ida Loving Robinson), of Buck., and an adopted daughter, Mrs. Mary Lawson Richards of Fall River.

PRATT, Thomas, deeded land in Buckland to Jabez Brooks, June 12, 1798.

1 PURINTON, Frank G., s. of Joshua and Mary A. —, b. in Colrain; was a resident here in 1900; m. Feb. 23, 1890, Nannie J., dau. of Alvah and Julia Taylor. Now res. Greenfield. Had:

- 2 i Alvah Joshua, b. Mar. 9, 1891.  
ii Earl A., b. 1893.  
iii William.  
iv Vera.

2 Alvah Joshua, s. of Frank G.(1), b. Buck.; m. Luana Hale of Conway. Had:

- i Dorothy, b. May 27, 1911.

PURINTON, Frank L., s. of Luther and Fannie J. (Hunter), b. in Buck.; d. June 24, 1929, ae. 78 yrs.

PURINTON, Mrs. Martha H., dau. of Hezekiah and Sarah (Holland) Smith of Colrain, d. in Buckland, Sept. 30, 1892, ae. 84 yrs. She was the second wife of Marcus Purinton, Sr. of Colrain and sister of his first wife, Cordelia Smith.

PURINTON, Marcus S., Dea., s. of Marcus and Cordelia (Smith) was b. in Colrain, Mar. 1, 1836; d. in Buckland, May 3, 1911. For more than fifty years he lived at the "Mill-yard." A man genial and social, he made many friends; m. Jan. 31, 1860, Kate L., dau. of Luther Graves of Greenfield, b. in Chagrin, Ohio. She d. Apr. 5, 1909, ae. 73 yrs. Children:

- 2 i Luther Lucien, b. Dec. 4, 1868.
- ii Kate, b. Sept. 8, 1873; d. Sept. 10, 1873.
- iii Lottie Graves, m. (1) Dec. 27, 1893, Oswald Heathcote; (2) Oct. 27, 1898, Henry R. Winterhalder.

2 Luther Lucien, s. of Marcus S.(1), b. Dec. 4, 1868; res. E. Buckland. He m. Sept. 28, 1889, Lula B., dau. of Horace and Mary Taylor, b. in Buckland, May 8, 1870. Children:

- i Rhoda Cordelia, b. Oct. 7, 1890; m. June 12, 1909, Leon F. Goodnow of Buck.
- 3 ii Earl Horace, b. June 25, 1892.
- 4 iii Mark Lucien, b. Apr. 15, 1894.
- iv Mary Louise, b. Apr. 12, 1896; m. June 18, 1913, Clifton M. Kenney.
- v Albert T., b. Nov. 11, 1899; m. Nov. 29, 1919, Veda E., dau. of Norman and Ida (Wells) Springer of Charlemont; res. E. Charlemont.
- vi Lettie Ursula, b. Sept. 2, 1902; m. Sept. 1, 1928, Carl S. Royce. Res. West Lafayette, Ind.
- 5 vii Richard G., b. Oct. 12, 1904.
- viii James Chester, b. July 24, 1906; res. E. Buck., unm.
- ix Carrie G., b. Sept. 11, 1908; m. July 2, 1932, Nathaniel Cass. Res. Buck.
- x Harry Leon, b. July 27, 1910; m. Aug. 14, 1932, Thelma, dau. of Clarence A. Flagg of Turners Falls. Res. Buck.
- xi Charles L., b. Sept. 6, 1912; res. E. Buckland.
- xii Rose Marie, b. Dec. 9, 1917; res. E. Buckland.



3 Earl Horace, s. of Luther L.(2), b. June 25, 1892; res. Buckland; m. Dec. 30, 1911, Ethel, dau. of William and Jennie (Dix) Clark. Had:

i Earl Floyd, b. June 22, 1919.

4 Mark Lucien, s. of Luther L.(2), b. Apr. 15, 1894; res. Buckland; m. Edith, dau. of Leon Hall of Ashfield. Has:

i Mark.

ii Gerald.

5 Richard G., s. of Luther L.(2), b. Oct. 12, 1904; m. Nov. 3, 1923, Myrtle E., dau. of Charles and Evelyn (Franklin) Lowell. Children:

i Richard, b. Dec. 29, 1926.

ii Robert, b. Mar. 20, 1928.

PURINTON, Mary, dismissed from the church in 1824, to the church in Colrain.

PURINTON, Mary A., widow of Joshua, and dau. of Asa Corbin, b. Dover, Vt.; d. Sept. 22, 1906, ae. 74 yrs.

PURINTON, Olive, dropped from membership in the second Baptist church in 1842.

PURINTON, Rhoda C., dau. of Marcus Purinton, Sr. of Colrain; m. in Buck., Mar. 12, 1868, Luther Pomeroy Trowbridge of Sublette, Ill., where she d. Apr. 14, 1875, ae. 34 yrs.

PUTNAM, Lt. William (Elisha<sup>5</sup>, Elisha<sup>4</sup>, Edward<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>, of Aston Abbotts' Co. Bucks, England and Salem Village—now Danvers, Mass.), b. in Sutton, Jan. 7, 1758; d. in Buckland, July 22, 1818; m. June 25, 1778 in Upton, Submit, dau. of Daniel Fisk. She was b. Oct. 27, 1758 or 9, in Upton and d. Sept. 19, 1818. Lt. Putnam was an early settler in Buckland, on what has been known as Putnam's Hill, or as it used to be more familiarly called, "Put's Hill." His first deed is dated Apr. 2, 1784, and in it he is described as "of Buckland." He saw much service in the Revolutionary war, and later was Captain of the militia company in Buck.; became one of the foremost men of his day in the civic affairs of the place. He and his wife were among the original members of the first Baptist church, and upon the re-organization, was chosen one of the deacons of the second church. Children:

- i Lydia, b. Mar. 1 or 7, 1779 in Upton; m. Jan. 15, 1799 in Buck., Jacob Whiting.
- ii Polly, b. Apr. 8, 1780, in Upton; d. May 20, 1780.
- iii Hannah, b. June 14, 1781 in Upton; d. May 9, 1800.
- iv Zilpha, b. Apr. 15, 1784, in Buck.; m. Feb. 19, 1807, Nehemiah Sabin, b. Dec. 31, 1781; d. July 22, 1856; removed to Halifax, Vt., where she d. Aug. 28, 1862 or 3. Her daughter Dencea Sabin, m. Nov. 30, 1826 (as second wife) her uncle, Jacob Whiting.
- v Elisha T., b. May 18, 1786; d. Dec. 24, 1855.
- 2 vi William, b. Mar. 15, 1788.
- vii Daniel, b. Feb. 28, 1790; d. Dec. 7, 1828; m. Lovina Lyon, Mar. 31, 1818; she d. Sept. 18, 1832, ae. 37 yrs. Five children:
- viii Sarah, b. Feb. 6, 1792.
- ix Abner, b. July 28, 1794; m. and removed to Stockton, N. Y.
- x Submit, b. July 21, 1797; m. Nov. 9, 1820, Newell Townsley of Buck.

2 William, s. of Lt. William(1), Deacon, b. Mar. 15, 1788 in Buck.; d. Sept. 30, 1865. Selectman; overseer of the poor, town treasurer; m. Lurenay L., dau. of Isaac and Jemima (Smith) Shepard of Ashfield. She d. Oct. 4, 1875, ae. 86 yrs. Child:

- i Lexana L., m. Apr. 10, 1851, William H. Stetson; d. Sept. 23, 1906, ae. 76 yrs.  
Prob. others.

QUINN, Hugh, Jr. (Hugh<sup>2</sup>, Hugh<sup>1</sup>, b. 1779; said by tradition, to have been kidnapped in the north of Ireland, brought to New England and sold for 20 pounds, his passage money). Pr. b. at Ashfield; m. Feb. 5, 1807, Hannah Edson and settled in Buckland.

QUINN, Philip, s. of Daniel (b. in Ireland), and Hannah (b. in Scotland), was b. in Canada; d. in Buckland, June 2, 1894, ae. 60 yrs.; m. Cora Adelia, dau. of Henry and Adelia (Clark) Stanley, b. in Vt. Children:

- i Adelia, b. Nov. 26, 1877; m. Edward Condon of Buck.; d. July 3, 1916, ae. 37 yrs.
- ii Richard C., b. in Vt.; d. Sept. 29, 1893, ae. 20 yrs.
- iii Frank H., b. Roxbury, Vt.; d. Oct. 8, 1916, ae. 46 yrs.

- iv Cora Jane, b. Sept. 18, 1890; m. Oct. 11 or 17, 1911, William M. Meehan of Buck.

RAGUSE, Charles, b. Germany; d., drowned, Nov. 19, 1898;  
m. Amelia F. Wallerman. Children:

- i Charles F. W., b. Shelburne; d. Apr. 2, 1882, ae. 2 yrs.
- ii Adelle, b. Buck., Dec. 13, 1883; d. Oct. 11, 1909.
- iii Florence, b. Oct. 27, 1885.
- iv William R., b. Aug. 31, 1890.
- v Mabel, res. State Street.

RANNENBERG, William, b. in Germany; d. Jan. 16, 1907, ae. 71 yrs.; m. Henriette Ott; she d. Mar. 29, 1910. Children:

- i George H., d. Feb. 3, 1868, ae. 1 yr.
- ii Daughter, b. July 8, 1871.
- iii Dora, b. May 28, 1874; m. — Davis; <sup>res.</sup> Wilkinsburgh, Pa.
- iv Jennie V., b. Jan. 30, 1880; m. Mar. 23, 1907, James L. Coates.
- v Emma, b. in So. Hadley, ab. 1861; m. <sup>f</sup>Oswald Frederick, Apr. 4, 1884; res. Holyoke.
- vi Nellie L., b. ab. 1872; m. Jan. 3, 1894, Albert Schontag; res. Athol.
- vii William A., res. Milwaukee, Wis.
- viii Henry P., res. Colina, Cal.

RATHKEE, Henry A., was in Buck. in 1900.

RAWSON, Edward, a Revolutionary soldier is said to have been buried in Buck.

RAWSON, Nathaniel (Nathaniel<sup>3</sup>, William<sup>2</sup>, Edward<sup>1</sup>), who sett. in Windsor; d. Mar. 31, 1833; Rev. sol., m. Sarah Bussey who d. Apr. 30, 1833, and who lived in Buckland. Children:

- i Oliver, b. Aug. 21, 1781, who was a voter here<sup>f</sup> in 1806 and 1822. Bought land and buildings of Moses Rawson, Apr. 23, 1808. He was pub. with Lois Howes of Ashfield, Oct. 17, 1805.
- ii Luther, b. Mar. 14, 1786; pub. with Sybel Gleason of Buck., Apr. 27, 1809. He bought land of Oliver Rawson in 1812.



- iii Electa, b. Mar. 17, 1788; pub. with Daniel Sears of Ashfield, Oct. 27, 1804.
- iv Polly, b. June 27, 1790; pub. with Lowell Johnson of Hoosick, N. Y., June 3, 1818.

RAWSON, Mr. and Mrs., d. in Apr. 1832 (Church record). According to Rawson Genealogy, Nathaniel Rawson above d. Mar. 31, 1833 and wife Sarah, d. Apr. 30, 1833. Could they have been identical and wrongly recorded in the Rawson book?

RAWSON, Moses, s. of Silas, was on the voting lists of 1806 and 1822.

RAWSON, Olive (Thomas<sup>5</sup>, William<sup>4</sup>, William<sup>3</sup>, William<sup>2</sup>, Edward<sup>1</sup>), m. Oliver Wilkinson and rem. to Townsend, Vt.

1 RENIFF, George, was published with Elizabeth Cook of Buck., Sept. 22, 1798. By deeds he bought land in Conway, Nov. 14, 1808. Returned to Buck. by 1819 according to Court papers, and d. before Oct. 12, 1829. Children, order unknown:

- i Nathan, perhaps that one who d. and was buried in the *old* cemetery; no stone.
- ii George W., d. Oct. 14, 1841, ae. 27 yrs.
- iii Zelotus, applied for a guardian on Oct. 12, 1829, at which time he was a minor over fourteen.
- iv Louisa L., m. — Harrington.
- 2 v Charles, probably that Charles, b. 1801, according to family records.
- vi Susanna, m. Rev. James Burdick; a M. E. pastor.
- 3 vii Lewis, twin, b. in Buck., May 18, 1821.
- 4 viii Lucius, twin, b. in Buck., May 18, 1821.  
Perhaps others.

2 Charles, pr. s. of George(1), d. Aug. 7, 1884, ae. 83 yrs. His wife Betsey, d. Mar. 15, 1852, ae. 42 yrs. Children:

- i Child, d. Sept. —, 1830.
- ii Andrew B., d. Feb. 21, 1832, ae. 4 yrs.
- iii Mary, m. Nov. 11, 1867, William R. Harris and had a dau., Mary E., who was b. Aug. 28, 1869, adopted by her uncle James, and m. Fred Perkins.
- iv James, m. Electa, dau. of Daniel Woodward.  
Perhaps others.

3 Lewis, s. of George(1), b. in Buck., May 18, 1821, twin. The parents d. when he was very young and he found a home in the family of "Major Tobey and his wife Eunice." He m. (1) Nov. 20, 1842, Diadama, dau. of Zenas and Chloe Field. She was b. Sept. 4, 1820; d. Sept. 4, 1846. He m. (2) June 18, 1854, Eliza Ware, who was b. July 20, 1830. In 1856 they rem. to Black River, N. Y., where in that vicinity their descendants still live. Children, b. in Buck.:

- i William Lewis, b. Oct. 22, 1843; d. June 21, 1864.
- ii Mary Ann, b. Aug. 12, 1846; m. — Coleman, Nov. 24, 1867; d. Nov. 21, 1895. A dau., Mrs. Ella Hicks, now lives in Florence, Mass.
- iii Melvin Lewis, b. July 23, 1855.

4 Lucius, s. of George(1), twin, b. May 18, 1821, a carpenter by trade, also had a turning mill and shop; member of Co. F., 34th regt. M. V. M.; d. Apr. 6, 1898; m. (1) Nov. 20, 1842, Chloe, dau. of Zenas and Chloe Field; m. (2) abt. Mar. 1850 at Halifax, Vt., Nancy Maria, dau. of Alfred Woodward of Buckland. She d. Mar. 27, 1904, ae. 71 yrs. Children:

- i Child, d. Sept. —, 1845, ae. 4 mos.
- ii Lucia E., b. Jan. 30, 1858; m. June 18, 1874, Windsor D. Worden and d. Jan. 1, 1905 in Buck. She lived some years in Stillwater, Cal.
- iii Fuella E., b. Aug. 1, 1860; d. Jan. 27, 1862.
- iv Lucius, d. at Brattleboro, Vt., May 19, 1873, ae. 10 yrs.
- v Duvernez D., m. (1) John W. Phillips of Ashfield and Buck.; (2) Lorenzo K. Scott of Hawley. She d., a widow, June 15, 1916.
- vi David, res. Stillwater, Cal.
- vii George A., who sett. in Ashfield, where he d. in Feb., abt. 1920; m. Rosina A. Phillips; had Rosa Belle, b. Aug. 10, 1880, and Raymond.

RENIFF, C. A., d. Mar. 17, 1864, ae. 22 yrs.

RENIFF, James, of Whitingham, Vt. at time of marriage, was pub. with Mary Cook of Buckland, Jan. 3, 1797. His name appears on the voter's lists of 1806 and 1822. By deeds he and wife

Mary were living Dec. 13, 1831. He is said to have been buried in the old cemetery in E. Buckland, no stones. Only known child:

- i Sarah C., m. — Clark and d., a widow, July 14, 1888, ae. 89 yrs.

RENIFF, Enos, said to have been buried in the old Cemetery, E. Buckland; no stone.

RENIFF, Martin, name appears as of Buckland, on deeds in 1852.

By records of Mrs. Lena E. Crain of Watertown, N. Y., dau. of Lewis Reniff, Lewis and Lucius had brothers and sisters as follows:

Charles.

George or John or both.

A sister, who m. Rev. James Burdick, a M. E. Minister.

Lovisa, who m. a Mr. Harrington.

She also states that there were relatives in New England in or near Buckland named Cook, Forbes and Wells, and that among her father's effects were pictures of a William Forbes and Mary Wells, his relatives.

RIBSON, John D., was a resident here in 1900.

RICE, Hattie M., d. Aug. 28, 1875, ae. 16 yrs.

RICE, Julia E., dau. of F. N. and M. E. Rice and wife of C. Edwin Jewett, d. Dec. 23, 1871, ae. 30 yrs.

RICE, Marcus, d. July 22, 1865, ae. 20 yrs.

RICE, Margaret, b. in Cambridge, N. Y., dau. of — and Margaret (Archer), d. at Buck., Jan. 10, 1873, ae. 56 yrs.

RICE, Reney, "now residing in Buckland," pub. with Charles Winchester of Rowe, Dec. 7, 1808.

RICE, Mrs. Sarah Ann, b. in Colrain, dau. of Christopher and Prudence Dean; d. at Buck., Feb. 24, 1875, ae. 66 yrs. Her first husband was Abner Avery of Charlemont. Her children were (Probate papers):

- i Charlotte, m. Edwin Poulton of Buckland.
- ii John Avery.
- iii Sarah, m. Augustus Smith of Conway.



- iv Prudence Avery of Buckland.
- v Abner Avery, of Turners Falls at the time of his mother's death.

1 RICHMOND, Zephaniah (Zephaniah<sup>6</sup>, Elijah<sup>5</sup>, Edward<sup>4</sup>, Edward<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. July 20, 1795 at Taunton, Mass.; m. May 27, 1819, Fanny, dau. of Shepard and Mary Moore. She was b. Sept. 2, 1798; d. Dec. 18, 1879. They lived in Goshen and Ashfield, finally settling in Buck., where he d. Feb. 16, 1875. Children:

- i Fidelia Phillips, b. Oct. 14, 1820; m. Sept. 6, 1843, Othniel White Taylor; sett. Canandaigua, N. Y., where he d. His widow d. in Brattleboro, Vt., Aug. 12, 1866.
- ii Zephaniah, b. Apr. 3, 1823; m. Sept. 20, 1842, Mary M., dau. of Roswell Allis of Buck. He d. enroute to or from California, Sept. 16, 1850-1; left two daughters.
- iii Roxana Drake, b. Mar. 10, 1824; m. Sept. 6, 1843, Ezekiel D. Bement.
- iv Fanny Irene, b. June 3, 1826; m. Sept. 23, 1844, Orrin Pratt; res. Buckland and Springfield.
- 2 v Josiah Andrews, b. Apr. 10, 1828.
- vi Olive Ann, b. Feb. 5, 1830; d. in Goshen, Sept. 14, 1834.
- vii Mary Ann, b. Aug. 25, 1831; m. June 21, 1849, Frederick Forbes.
- viii Charles Abel, b. May 17, 1834; d. Dec. 20, 1845.
- ix Martha Sophia, b. Apr. 17, 1836; d. July 24, 1840.

2 Josiah Andrews, s. of Zephaniah(1), b. Apr. 10, 1828 in Ashfield, Mass.; m. Mar. 9, 1851, Susan, dau. of Welcome Whiting. She d. Feb. 15, 1900. He was a Civil War veteran, being discharged from the service Aug. 14, 1863 with the rank of Captain. Ever after he was much interested and active in the affairs of the Grand Army, being often called upon to speak as a representative of that organization. He was among those who went to California in 1849. He held the office of Justice of the Peace, and had served as selectman. For many years was a manufacturer of sash and blinds, his place of business being on the Buck. side at Shel. Falls, where was also his home until within a few years of

his death, when he moved to the Shelburne side of the village;  
d. Sept. 7, 1904. Children:

- i Frank Wendell, b. Mar. 19, 1852; m. Sept. 8, 1874, Grace, dau. of Charles and Charlotte Backwell of Buck. He resided Buck., Greenfield, and in Shel. Falls; d. Shel. Falls, Nov. 25, 1912. Children: Mabel, b. May 23, 1877; m. Frank P. Stimson of Greenfield; is deceased. Ethel, b. Dec. 8, 1880; m. Clinton Spicer of Shelburne Falls. Beth, b. in Greenfield, 1887.
- ii Nellie O., b. Nov. 7, 1853; m. Oct. 4, 1877, George D. Eldridge of Buck., and Shelburne.
- iii Zephaniah, b. Jan. 27, 1856; d. young.
- iv Walter H., b. June 27, 1857; d. young.
- v Waldo E., b. May 8, 1859; m. (1) Oct. 4, 1882, Corinne E. Jenks of Holyoke; she d. Oct. 2, 1885; m. (2) Nov. 14, 1890, at Lakeview, Mich., Stella Wheeler. Her early home was in Texas. He resided in Buckland and Shelburne Falls; was associated with his father in the sash and blind business, and after the death of the former, carried it on alone. He d. suddenly, Apr. 21, 1922.
- vi Susan M., b. Oct. 29, 1866; m. Dec. 25, 1891, Frederick Main; res. Springfield; one dau., Rebecca.

HIRAM (son of Zephaniah, and brother of Zephaniah above), b. Oct. 23, 1799, at Ashfield; m. Nov. 14, 1824, Theresa, dau. of Elder Enos Smith of Ashfield and Buck. She was b. May 23, 1803; d. Nov. 13, 1857; m. (2) Mrs. Eliza Norris of Haverhill, Mass., Apr. 19, 1858. He lived for a time at Buck., later at Shel. Falls where he was engaged in mercantile business; d. Sept. 19, 1868. His widow m., as her third husband, Dec. 29, 1869, Benjamin Maxwell of Shel. Falls. Children:

- i Enos Smith, b. Aug. 2, 1826.
- ii Hiram Lorenzo, b. Nov. 30, 1827; res. E. Charlemont.
- iii Linus Austin, b. June 5, 1829; m. Aug. 19, 1855, Sarah F. Howes.
- iv Emma Theresa, b. Dec. 5, 1830; d. Aug. 15, 1852.
- v Lurilla Miranda, b. Mar. 1, 1834; m. Nov. 24, 1852, E. Wellington Wood; d. June 16, 1865.

- vi Lucy Lurette, b. Mar. 25, 1836; d. June 21, 1858.
- vii Lyman Newton, b. May 24, 1838; res. Shel. Falls.
- viii Richard Price, b. Dec. 31, 1839; res. E. Charlemont.
- ix William Norris, b. Jan. 11, 1843; d. Dec. 7, 1862.
- x Charles Milo, b. Sept. 16, 1845; rem. to Aurora, Ill.

RICHMOND, Elijah, s. of Zephaniah<sup>6</sup> and brother of Hiram<sup>7</sup> and Zephaniah<sup>7</sup> above, b. at Ashfield, Apr. 4, 1808; d. June 4, 1860; m. Mar. —, 1829, Amanda, dau. of Jesse and Ruth (Flower) Ranney of Ashfield. She was b. Aug. 17, 1809; m. for her second husband, Nov. 26, 1875, Wilson Elmer of Ashfield; she d. Oct. 18, 1884. Children:

- i Alanson Andrews, b. Dec. 9, 1829; m. Sept. 22, 1852, Amelia F., dau. of Lyman Wood; res. Charlemont.
- ii Deidamia E., b. Apr. 25, 1832; m. Mar. 5, 1855, Joseph W. Whiting; d. Dec. 19, 1884.
- iii James Otis, b. Jan. 13, 1837; d. Aug. 29, 1837.
- iv Lucretia, b. Mar. 26, 1838; m. May 6, 1858, Darwin Ware.

1 RICHMOND, Abiathar, Jr. pr. s. of Abiathar, Sr. of Pittsfield; d. Jan. 13, 1892, ae. 92 yrs.; m. Electa Clark. Had:

- 2 i Edmund C.  
Perhaps others.

2 Edmund C., s. of Abiathar, Jr.(1), d. in Northampton, Sept. 13, 1918; m. (1) Feb. 22, 1865, Lura J. Waters. She was b. in 1845; d. Mar. 1, 1869; m. (2) Frances M. Smith, Apr. 3, 1872. She was b. May 7, 1843. One of these wives was b. in Halifax, Vt. Children:

- i Judson E., b. Dec. 24, 1866; res. Chicago, Ill.
- ii Francis E., b. Apr. 20, 1873; res. Chicago, Ill.

RICHMOND, Gertrude B. (dau. of Mrs. Adeline J., late of New Britain, Conn., who d. Nov. 8, 1915), m. Dec. 24, 1884, Frederick A. Woodward.

RILEY, Michael, was a resident here in 1900.

RITCHIE, Edward, s. of Alexander and Sarah (Anderson), d. Jan. 16, 1917, ae. 79 yrs.; was here as early as 1890 surely. He



m. June 27, 1866, Sophia J., dau. of Clement and Elizabeth Russell. She was b. in Canada; d. June 15, 1891, ae. 49 yrs. Child:

- i Sarah, b. 1867; m. Sept. 16, 1891, Ernest S. Littlejohn.  
She d. July 28, 1896, ae. 29 yrs.  
(May have been other children.)

RITCHIE, James, s. of Thomas and Sarah, b. in Ireland; d. Aug. 3, 1874, ae. 29 yrs.; m. Lucy, dau. of William H. Bowling. She m. (2) May 17, 1880, Orestes Bardwell. She now lives in Shelburne. Children:

- i Annie L., b. Apr. 26, 1872.
- ii James E., b. Jan. 31, 1874; d. same day.

ROACH, John, was living in Buckland in 1900.

ROACH, John, b. in Ireland; d. July 14, 1879. "Thought by his family to have been aged 103 yrs." The town records give his age as 97 yrs. He was a son of Patrick and Catherine Roach, m. Ellen ——. Had:

- i Catherine, b. in Ireland; m. P. Fitzgerald; d. Dec. 12, 1886, ae. 70 yrs.

ROBINSON, E. A., Rev., was here in 1900; pastor of the Congregational Ch.

ROESCH, see RUSH.

ROESCH, Charles, a cutler, b. in Buck.; m. Dec. 25, 1875, Charlotte, dau. of Charles and Mary Herring. Children:

- i John, b. July 12, 1876; d. Sept. 14, 1876.
- ii Bessie, b. Apr. 19, 1883.

ROESCH, John, a cutler, b. Buck.; m. Mary Hirst, b. in England. Children:

- i Elsie, b. Aug. 24, 1880.
- ii Lillian, b. Jan. 6, 1882.
- iii Clara, b. Nov. 3, 1883.
- iv Alice, b. Aug. 5, 1885.

ROGERS, Elias, res. Buck.; m. Sarah ——. Had:

- i Nathan, d. Sept. 21, 1839, ae. 2 yrs.
- ii Abigail, d. Sept. 2, 1839, ae. 8 mos.

ROLLER, Godfred, s. of Godfred, b. Germany in or abt. 1829; d. before Feb. 11, 1868; m. Barbara —. His second wife was Mary, dau. of William Fritz of Germany and Conway. They were m. Nov. 8, 1856. By first wife had:

- i Amelia, who was a minor above 14 in 1868.

ROOD, see RUDE.

1 ROTHERHAM, William, s. of William, b. in Sheffield, Eng. in 1840, came to America in 1872; d. in Buck., Nov. 30, 1898. He m. Hannah, dau. of Godfrey and Charlotte (Handsworth) Hardy, b. in Mansfield, Eng. She m. (2) Dec. 27, 1899, Walter Turton of Buck.; (3) Jan. 13, 1916, Riley Watson of Wilder, Vt.; d. June 5, 1917. Children, b. Sheffield, Eng.

- 2 i William G., b. May 21, 1866.

- ii Annie M., b. July 13, 1870; m. Feb. 11, 1891, Arthur C. Wilcox of Shelburne; res. and d. Greenfield.

2 William G., s. of William(1), b. in Sheffield, Eng., May 21, 1866; d. Aug. 16, 1919; m. Sept. 15, 1888, Alta M., dau. of Joseph and Betsey (Paine) Stanford, of Rowe or Charlemont; Res. State St. Had:

- i Harold Stanford, b. Mar. 29, 1892.

1 ROWLAND, Sleigh, b. Apr. 29, 1800 in Sheffield, Eng.; d. in Buck., Aug. 4, 1878; came to America between 1840 and 1845, living successively at Pittsburg, Pa., Greenfield and Buck. He m. (1) Sarah Wilson, b. in Eng., Mar. 1, 1800; m. (2) in Greenfield, Feb. 8, 1854, Susan Whitaker; she d. Sept. 21, 1870, ae. 70 yrs. Children:

- i Sleigh, Jr., b. Sept. 10, 1823; m. Apr. 1, 1865 in Greenfield, Anna Davis of Shelburne.
- ii William Wilson, b. May 9, 1825; d., ae. abt. 21 yrs., unm.
- iii Joseph, b. Feb. 11, 1828; m.; lived in Iowa and Neb.
- iv Sarah, b. Dec. 31, 1829; m. David Priest; res. Bridgeport, Conn.
- v Mary Ann, b. July 3, 1831; m. (1) Feb. 4, 1857, James Russell; (2) Oct. 13, 1873, John Howson of Buckland.
- vi Ann, b. Feb. 8, 1833; m. her cousin, Charles Rowland; res. Winsted, Conn.

- 2 vii George, b. May 15, 1835.
- 3 viiii John, b. Dec. 26, 1836.
  - ix Samuel, b. Aug. 24, 1838; d. Sept. 25, 1838.
  - x Thomas, b. Sept. 19, 1840; res. Northampton, Mass.; m. Mary A., dau. of Morris and Lydia Thayer; she was b. in Northampton; d. in Buck., Oct. 13, 1923, ae. 65 yrs.
  - xi Martha, b. Sept. 1, 1842; m. — Burnham.
- 2 George, s. of Sleigh(1), b. in Sheffield, Eng., May 15, 1835; d. in Buck., May 22, 1896; was selectman three terms; m. Sarah, dau. of John and Sarah Booker. She was b. in England, May 14, 1836; d. Dec. 21, 1901. Children:
  - i Rebena B., b. Oct. 1, 1857; m. Oct. 25, 1883, James Martin; res. Ashfield St.
  - ii Charles W., b. Aug. 26, 1859; d. Apr. 15, 1930, unm.
  - iii George, b. June 7, 1862; d. Sept. 14, 1879.
  - iv Farewell, b. Sept. 19, 1864; d. Apr. 13, 1871.
- 3 John, s. of Sleigh(1), b. in Sheffield, Eng., Dec. 26, 1836; d. Sept. 7, 1908; m. Apr. 5, 1860, Hannah, dau. of James S. and Hannah (Austin) Halligan of Buckland. She d. Aug. 19, 1916, ae. 75 yrs. Children:
  - 4 i Arthur J., b. Feb. 29, 1864.
  - ii Nettie M., b. July 14, 1868; m. Sept. 25, 1901, Robert A. Stetson of Colrain. In 1913 he was selectman of Buck. where they live; s. p.
  - iii Annie E., b. Dec. 15, 1870; m. Oct. 5, 1890, Edwin Allen Bardwell, Jr. of Shelburne Falls, their residence.
  - iv William, d. May 22, 1873, ae. 6 mos.
- 5 v Fred C., b. Aug. 18, 1874.
- 6 vi Frank W., b. Aug. 2, 1881.
- 4 Arthur J., s. of John(3), b. Feb. 29, 1864, Buck.; has served as a member of the school committee; res. Shelburne Falls; m. Nov. 24, 1886, Hattie E., dau. of James H. and Ellen E. Vincent of Colrain. She d. Feb. 11, 1933. Children:
  - i Grace, Vincent, b. Aug. 22, 1887; res. Hyannis.
  - ii Harvey John, b. Jan. 31, 1889; res. Chatham, N. J.
  - iii Stanley James, b. Sept. 9, 1891; res. Westport, Conn.



5 Fred C., s. of John(3), b. in Buckland, Aug. 18, 1874; m. Apr. 29, 1896, Sarah Kenney, b. in Bridgewater; res. South St., Buckland. Children:

- i Mabel Emma, b. May 1, 1897; m. June 2, 1915, Albert Warren Drown of Greenfield.
- ii Wilbur Frederick, b. July 7, 1903; d. Sept. 17, 1904.
- iii Doris E., b. Oct. 25, 1906; res. Washington, D. C., unm.

6 Frank W., s. of John(3), b. Buck., Aug. 2, 1881; m. June 29, 1904, Amy L., dau. of Hiram and Mary Fish of Buckland. She d. June 3, 1926, ae. 41 yrs. Children:

- i Linwood, b. Sept. 18, 1905; m.; res. Long Island.
- ii Harland, b. Nov. 13, 1907; res. Greenfield; unm.
- iii Mildred, b. Mar. 27, 1910; res. Greenfield.
- iv Vera Helen, b. Jan. 3, 1913; res. Buck. Telephone operator.

RUDDOCK, Alvin, s. of Edward of England, Whately and Pitcher, N. Y., b. in Whately; d. in Buck., Aug. 9, 1895, ae. 90 yrs.; bought the Asa Davis farm, so called, in Buck. in 1873; m. (1) Caroline, dau. of Elijah and Fanny Phillips of Ashfield. She d. Mar. 27, 1875, ae. 70 yrs.; m. (2) Dec. 7, 1882, Dorinda F. Upton of Charlemont, a dau. of David and Lydia (Fisk), b. in Shelburne. She d. June 21, 1888, ae. 71 yrs. Children:

- i Martha Ann, d. Jan. 31, 1842, ae. 5 yrs.
- ii Augusta F., d. Nov. 30, 1850, ae. 9 yrs.
- iii Amelia C., m. Jan. 1, 1849, Alfred Rude; d. June 3 or 4, 1911, ae. 80 yrs.
- 2 iv Sanderson A., b. Oct. 30, 1831.
- v Helen E., b. Sept. 25, 1834; m. Feb. 10, 1858, Henry Clark of Phelps, N. Y.

2 Sanderson A., s. of Alvin(1), b. Oct. 30, 1831; d. June 26, 1916, ae. 84 yrs.; m. (1) Caroline, dau. of Apollos Brackett; She d. June 18, 1874, ae. 40 yrs.; m. (2) Jan. 19, 1876, Dorcas A., dau. of Lewis Morton of Whately. She d. Dec. 15, 1906, ae. 80 yrs. Children:

- i Eugene A., d. Aug. 26, 1864, ae. 2 yrs.
- ii Elwin R., lived Shelburne.
- 3 iii Wesley F.

4 iv Orie L., b. 1867.

v Mary E., m. Jan. 5, 1898, Curtis R. Purrington of E. Charlemont; res. Bernardston.

3 Wesley F., s. of Sanderson(2), b. Buckland; d. Dec. 27, 1928, ae. 70 yrs.; m. Apr. 5, 1882, Rachel, dau. of Hugh and Sarah Harold, b. in Canada. Children:

i Caroline E., b. Mar. 5, 1883; m. Aug. 17, 1904, Paul Henry Valiton of Buck., a native of France. He d. June 19, 1927, ae. 51 yrs.

ii Sarah S., m. Sept. 9, 1903, Amos P. Valiton of Fitchburg.

iii Raymond H., b. Mar. 10, 1886; d. Sept. 27, 1886.

iv Harold Wesley, b. Apr. 11, 1887; d. Aug. 27, 1887.

v Edith M., m. Joseph Critchley, a native of Lowell.

vi Eva R., b. Feb. 2, 1901; d. July 28, 1912.

4 Orie L., s. of Sanderson(2), b. Buckland, 1867; m. May 20, 1890, Hattie S., dau. of Emory and Agnes Dodge of West Deerfield. Resides Buckland. Children:

i Lila Belle, b. Jan. 28, 1897; m. Nov. 11, 1920, William H. Nadeau.

RUDDOCK, Asa S., Dr., s. of Edward of England, Whately and Pitcher, N. Y. and brother of Alvin above, b. Sept. 15, 1798; d. June 21, 1875; m. (2) Jan. 1, 1839, at Butternutts, N. Y., Sarah Maria, dau. of Jeremiah and Mary Crittenden. She was b. in Conway, and d. in Buckland, Dec. 27, 1873, ae. 68 yrs. He m. (1) May 31, 1827, Mary, dau. of Timothy and Mary (Williams) Dutton of Northfield. Child:

i Le Barron, b. Nov. 13, 1831, in Northfield; m. June 5, 1877, Mary D., dau. of Edmund and Nancy Sherwin, who d. Jan. 2, 1910, ae. 75 yrs. He d. Mar. 21, 1889, ae. 57 yrs. Frederick T. Ruddock lived with them but was not their son. The latter d. Aug. 11, 1909, ae. 32 yrs.

RUDDOCK, Edward Josiah, b. in Florida, Mass., Mar. 12, 1845; was living here in 1874.

RUDDOCK, Justice, or Justus, prob. the oldest brother of Dr. Asa; pub. Oct. 23, 1813, with Rhoda Damon of Hawley.

RUDDOCK, Marion Wait, prob. sister of Dr. Asa; m. Jan. 22, 1811, Stephen Porter of Hawley.

RUDE—also ROOD—David, s. of Thaddeus of Ashfield, b. in Buck., Apr. 25, 1818; rem. to Plainfield with his parents presumably in 1827. In 1847, he became a missionary to South Africa.

RUDE, Josiah, s. of Thaddeus of Ashfield, was a voter here in 1822.

RUDE, Lebbeus, was a voter here in 1822; m. Lucy ——. Had:

i Eunice, m. May 3, 1849, Rufus Hall 2nd. of Hawley.

RUDE, Rufus, a voter here in 1822.

1 RUDE, Thaddeus, s. of Thaddeus of Ashfield, was a voter here in 1822; d. May 2, 1826, ae. 62 yrs.; m. Elizabeth Vincent, b. in Ashfield. In Feb. 1813, in Major Griswold's account book, he was charged for "a coffin for David." Children:

2 i Alfred S., b. in Buck.

Prob. others.

2 Alfred S., s. of Thaddeus(1), b. in Buck.; m. Jan. 1, 1848, Amelia C., dau. of Alvin Ruddock. She d. June 3 or 4, 1911, ae. 80 yrs. Children:

i Martha A., b. Dec. 7, 1848; d. Jan. 3, 1898, unm.

ii Carrie E., b. July 7, 1856; m. May 31, 1881, Cranson P. Thayer; m. (2), William E. Doane; d. Aug. 1, 1926.

iii Oscar A., b. Sept. 3, 1857; m. Mar. 23, 1883, Elvira R., dau. of Lucius and Lucy Scott; res. Hawley.

iv Ellen A., b. Dec. 13, 1862; m. Mar. 25, 1888, Walter D. Smith.

v Lillie V., b. Apr. 13, 1869; d. May 10 or 11, 1919; unm.

RUSH—ROESCH—Donat, living here in 1900, b. in Germany; d. Aug. 30, 1907, ae. 82 yrs.; m. Caroline ——. At the time his estate was probated all the family gave their residence as Springfield. Children:

i Charles.

ii John.

iii Christian, m. Feb. 3, 1889, Mary L., dau. of Fred C., and Hattie (Fellows) Ware.

iv William.



RUSSELL, Andiss, dau. of Joseph A. and Sarah, b. in Canada; d. in Buck., May 12, 1877, ae. 16 yrs.

RUSSELL, Eruthros J., s. of Joseph R. and Myra (Taylor), b. Dalton, was in Buck. in 1900; d. Dec. 25, 1917, ae. 71 yrs.

RUSSELL, Frank H., m. Caira A. Caswell. Resided in Buck. in 1893. Had:

- i Nettie, b. Hadley; m. Jan. 16, 1893, Perley C. Bronson; d. Feb. 7, 1898.
- ii Charles.

RUSSELL, James, m. Almira Lunt. Had:

- i Alta D., m. Dec. 15, 1884, Eddie E. Wheeler.

RUSSELL, James, m. Feb. 4, 1857, Mary Ann, dau. of Sleigh Rowland, Sr.; she m. (2) Oct. 13, 1873, John Howson. Children:

- i Son, twin, b. Aug. 30, 1868; d. ae. 7 yrs.
- ii Clara, twin, b. Aug. 30, 1868; m. Thomas Norton; res. Bridgeport, Conn.
- iii Rose, b. Dec. 22, 1870; m. Harry Cooke; res. New Britain, Conn.

RUSSELL, Joseph E., a file cutter, b. in England; m. Dec. 26, 1877, Alice, dau. of William and Ann Mills. Children:

- i Mabel B., b. May 23, 1880 in Buck.; m. Jan. 23, 1909, John C. Marra, of Pittsfield.
- ii Hiram E., b. in Buckland, Nov. 23, 1881.

RUSSELL, Mary Ann, widow of E., b. Dalton, a dau. of Henry A. and Rhoda (Curtis) Hale; d. in Buckland, Feb. 27, 1920, ae. 76 yrs. Had:

- i Winnifred, m. Edward C. Haigis of Buck., Oct. 26, 1889.
- ii Gertrude, m. Frank Adler of Buck., Sept. 27, 1890.

RUSSELL, Sophia J., m. June 27, 1866, Edward Ritchie.

SABIN, Nehemiah (Ebenezer<sup>5</sup>, Nehemiah, Jr.<sup>4</sup>, Nehemiah, Sr.<sup>3</sup>, Benjamin<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 31, 1781; d. July 22, 1856; sett. Halifax, Vt. He m. Feb. 19, 1807, Zilpha, dau. of Lt. William and Submit (Fisk) Putnam. She was b. Apr. 15, 1784; d. Halifax, Aug. 28, 1862 or 3. Child:

- i Dencea, m. in Halifax, as second wife, Nov. 30, 1826, her uncle, Jacob Whiting of Buck. He was then 64, and she 19 yrs. of age. Jacob Whiting, d. Dec. 28, 1835, and she m. (2) Martin Ballou.

SAMMIS, Lucius H., was in Buck. in 1900; m. Anna L., dau. of John and Lucia A. Morton of So. Deerfield; she d. July 11, 1914, ae. 75 yrs. Children:

- i Minnie A., b. So. Deerfield; m. in Buck., Jan. 1, 1902, Owen A. Blaisdell of Boston.
- ii Burnie L., b. in So. Deerfield; m. Aug. 9, 1896, Freda K., dau. of George Haigis of Buck. Res. Halifax, Vt.
- iii Sarah H., b. at So. Deerfield; m. Sept. 7, 1878, Leon H. Duncan.

SAMMIS, W. L., was here in 1900.

SAMPSON, Joseph, d. in Buck., Oct. 28, 1852, ae. 55 yrs.; m. Electa —, who d. Nov. 5, 1857, ae. 61 yrs.

SANDERSON, Rev. Perley P., pastor of the second Baptist church from 1847 to 1851; m. (1) Hannah E., dau. of Capt. Victor Blair of Boston. She d. July 9, 1849; m. (2) May 24, 1850, Lydia, dau. of Noah Willis of Buck. She was b. Nov. 26, 1814. Children:

- i Victoria, d. Apr. 27, 1848.
- ii Infant son, d. July 12, 1849.
- iii Lydia Maria, b. July 1851.

SANDERSON, Sarah B., mother of Rev. P. P., d. Sept. 3, 1851, ae. 84 yrs.

SANDERSON, Harriet E. (Cook), widow of Albert, b. in Lunenburg, dau. of Abel Cook, d. Apr. 10, 1923, ae. 83 yrs. Had:

- i Bertha H., m. Nov. 27, 1901, Edmund G. Wilder.

SANFORD, William, was b. about 1838.

SAUER, Andrew, s. of Simon and Christina (Amstein), b. Waldorf, Germany, Feb. 14, 1841; came to this country in 1860, being nine weeks on the voyage. Served in the Civil War, and at its close he, with his brother-in-law, bought out the clothing business of I. M. Sherwin, which they carried on under the

firm name of Sauer and Wagner. He served as selectman and school committee, a man conspicuous and honored in the community. He d. Mar. 22, 1913, ae. 72 yrs.; m. Steina, dau. of John and Christina (Yetter) Witzman. She d. June 4, 1911, ae. 73 yrs. Had:

- i Jessie, b. Nov. 29, 1880, unm.

SAUER, William A., s. of George and Fredricka, b. Waldorf, Germany, Aug. 16, 1857; d. Sept. 1, 1925. He came to America alone, at the age of fourteen; m. Dec. 29, 1880, Mary, dau. of George and Anna Kratt of Buck., where she resides. Had:

- i William G., b. Feb. 24, 1883; d. Mar. 4, 1907, unm.

SAUER, Charles, had a daughter, b. Nov. 16, 1872.

SAUTER, Conrad, s. of Christian and Anna, b. in Germany, was in Buck. in 1900; d. Sept. 15, 1928, ae. 62 yrs.; m. Oct. 23, 1915, Beatrice D., dau. of Joseph and Alice Supreno, b. in Canada. Had:

- i Edward Conrad, b. Aug. 13, 1917.

SAVAGE, Abraham, name on the census of 1790, at which time he had a family of three males under sixteen and three females.

SAVAGE, Sally, of Buck., m. May 24, 1803, Isaac Crittenden, Jr., at Ashfield.

SAWIN, Hannah P., d. Sept. 16, 1888. Had:

- i H. Augusta, m. (1) Apr. 18, 1847, — Miller; m. (2) Silas Nims; m. (3) Franklin Ware.
- ii Mary, m. — Fenno of Gardner.
- iii Maria, m. — Jordan of Fitchburg.

SCANLON, John, was living in Buck. in 1900.

1 SCHEMP, Gottlieb, b. in Germany, was in town as early as 1896; d. in Buck., Nov. 27, 1921, ae. 83 yrs.; m. Wilhelmina (Minnie), dau. of Gottlieb and Minnie Stingel. She d. Feb. 15, 1916, ae. 75 yrs. Children:

- i Christian, res. Long Hill, Conn.
- 2 ii Adolph, b. in Philadelphia, Pa.
- iii Steina, b. June 8, 1872; d. Oct. 19, 1873.



- iv Christina, b. 1874; d. May 9, 1888.
  - v Anna, b. May 17, 1875; d. Feb. 18, 1899.
  - vi Son, twin, b. June 1; d. June 2, 1876.
  - vii Daughter, twin, b. June 1; d. June 2, 1876.
  - viii Adam, b. July 2, 1877; d. July 9, 1877.
  - ix Fred Gottlieb, b. July 17, 1879; d. Mar. 8, 1926, unm.
  - x William A., b. Sept. 12, 1882; res. East Gardner.
  - xi Albert, res. Buckland.
  - xii John, deceased; res. Taunton.
- 2 Adolph, s. of Gottlieb(1), b. Philadelphia, Pa.; d. July 24, 1929, ae. 59 yrs.; m. Jan. 10, 1892, Margaret, dau. of Edward and Elizabeth Peters of Schenectady, N. Y. She was b. in 1872; d. Apr. 11, 1918. Children:
- i Edna Minnie, b. Aug. 25, 1892; m. May 28, 1914, Reginald B. Leavett of Shelburne. Res. Buck., two children.
  - ii Mildred J., b. Oct. 10, 1893; m. — Lorden, res. Milford, N. H.
  - iii Ruth Steina, b. July 16, 1900; d. Aug. 3, 1901.
- 3 iv Fred Adolph, b. Dec. 11, 1903.
- v Edith, b. June 2, 1906; m. Nov. 25, 1928, Floyd C. Harris of Halifax, Vt.; res. Colrain.
- 3 Fred Adolph, s. of Adolph(2), b. Dec. 11, 1903; m. June 3, 1928, Evelyn L., dau. of Louis and Nellie Holcomb of Conway. Res. School Street. Children:
- i Fred Robert, b. Jan. 28, 1930.
  - ii Arthur J., b. Apr. 22, 1931; d. Apr. 30, 1931.
- SCHMIDT, Annie, widow of Christian, b. in Germany, dau. of Jacob and Annie Koch, d. Dec. 15, 1911, ae. 68 yrs. Children:
- i John, res. New Britain, Conn.
  - ii Katharine, m. — Noonan; res. Springfield.
  - iii Barbara, m. William Henry Walker, Jr.
  - iv Mary, m. Nov. 8, 1905, Herbert Marshall.
- SCHMIDT, Raymond, s. of Michael and Mary, b. in Germany; was here in 1900 and is still living here, a stage driver and mail carrier. He m. (1) Mary Kern, b. in Austria; d. in Buckland,

June 1, 1912, ae. 38 yrs.; (2) Sept. 17, 1913, Mrs. Johanna S. Dickes. Children:

- i Rose H.
- ii Louis A., b. Apr. 7 or 8, 1911.

SCHNEIDER, Peter, d. in 1858; m. Mary ——. She made her will Dec. 27, 1859, naming three minor children, who were on June 5, 1860, under fourteen years of age. Children:

- i Gustave.
- ii Alfred.
- iii Mary.

(Louis, and Charles or Carl Schneider petitioned for the guardianship of the minors and may have been older brothers.)

1 SCHONTAG, Christian, s. of Michael and Kate, b. in Germany; m. Anna Eppler; resided in Buck. Children:

- 2 i Christian, b. Dec. 18, 1872.
- ii Rosa, b. July 21, 1874; m. Dec. 12, 1894, Walter G. Dow; res. Fitchburg.
- iii Barbara, b. Aug. 17, 1875; d. Dec. 5, 1875.
- iv Lena, b. Aug. 15, 1880; m. June 23, 1920, Albert W. Mann of Buck.
- v Lillian, res. Boston; unm.

2 Christian, s. of Christian(1), b. in Buck., Dec. 18, 1872; m. Sept. —, 1897, Flora, dau. of James and Grace Peebles; res. Shelburne Falls. Had:

- i Grace Frances, b. Apr. 5, 1898.

1 SCHONTAG, Michael, s. of Michael and Kate and brother of Christian above. Came from Inschelott, Germany; d. Feb. 19, 1892, ae. 52 yrs.; m. (1) Christeina, dau. of John and Agnes Pfersick. She was b. in Germany; d. May 22, 1874, ae. 31 yrs.; m. (2) Dec. 19, 1875, Mrs. Agatha Able, dau. of August Noessler. She was b. in Saxe Minegan, Germany, d. Dec. 12, 1917, ae. 63 yrs. Children:

- i Louise, m. Dec. 6, 1887, Gustave Stanger.
- ii Matilda, b. 1870; m. Dec. 31, 1890, Frank Marshall; d. Mar. 28, 1930, ae. 60 yrs.

- iii Albert, m. Jan. 3, 1894, Nellie L., dau. of William and Henrietta Rannenber; res. New Haven, Conn. They had at Buck., Earl W., b. July 4, 1895.
  - iv Anna, b. Sept. 27, 1871; d. Sept. 21, 1873.
  - v Christine, b. Mar. 19, 1874; d. Aug. 3, 1874.
  - By second wife:
  - 2 vi Frank A., b. in Turners Falls.
  - vii Julia, b. Sept. 11, 1876 in Buck.; m. June 19, 1911, Albert E. Gleason of Springfield, where they reside.
  - viii Edwin M., b. Aug. 5, 1878; m. Nov. 28, 1900, Florence E., dau. of Rollin Bullock of Colrain. Resided in Buck. Had a son, b. and d. June 21, 1902.
  - ix Flora, b. Aug. 15, 1880; m. Feb. 12, 1901, Herman C. Bardwell of Shelburne; (2) July 26, 1911, Clarence A. Bradley of Charlemont.
  - x Fred, b. Feb. 7, 1885; m. Dec. 20, 1919, Pearl, dau. of Alson Estey of Buck.; res. Buck., s. p.
  - xi Agnes, b. June 2, 1900; d. Sept. 16, 1900.
- 2 Frank A., s. of Michael(1), b. in Turners Falls; d. Apr. 22, 1926, ae. 53 yrs.; m. (1) June 23, 1897, Hattie I., dau. of Allen Kenyon of Buck. She was b. in Warrensburg, N. Y.; d. Dec. 21, 1921, ae. 51 yrs.; m. (2) May 29, 1922, Sarah E., widow of Arthur H. Shaw, dau. of Austin and Sarah Wells. She m. (4) Aug. 11, 1928, Frederick S. Greer of Greenfield. Children:
  - i Daughter, who d. y.
- 3 ii Howard Edwin, b. Sept. 4, 1900.
- 3 Howard Edwin, s. of Frank A.(2), b. Sept. 4, 1900; m. Aug. 21, 1929, Joy —, dau. of Earl T. and Mary (Reichelderfer) Sutton of Whitingham, Vt. They res. Buck. Have:
  - i Richard Frank, b. Aug. 5, 1930.
- Scott, Consider W., d. Sept. 28, 1835, ae. 26 yrs.
- 1 Scott, Lorenzo K., d. Mar. 31, 1899, ae. 55 yrs.; m. Betsey A., dau. of Enos Reade. She was b. in Rowe; d. Mar. 9, 1885, ae. 46 yrs.; m. (2) Duvernez D., dau. of Lucius Reniff, and widow of John W. Phillips. Some of their children were b. in Hawley. Children, order unknown:
  - 2 i Ernest Reade.



- 3 ii Phineas L., b. 1868.
- 4 iii William.
- 2 Ernest Reade, s. of Lorenzo K.(1), b. in Hawley; m. Dec. 21, or 26, 1899, Emma Lillian, dau. of Samuel B. and Lucy L. (Perkins) Taylor. Children:
  - i Daniel Kenneth Marston, b. Mar. 21, 1909.
- 3 Phineas L., s. of Lorenzo K.(1), b. 1868; d. Aug. 19, 1922, ae. 54 yrs.; m. Mrs. Luna Boyd. Children:
  - i Howard P., b. Mar. 27, 1906.
  - ii Walter R., b. Mar. 5, 1908; m. Sept. 8, 1933, Florence Bates Willis.
- 4 Scott, William, s. of Lorenzo K.(1), b. Hawley; m. June 17, 1894, Rose M., dau. of Horace F. and Mary L. (Williams) Taylor; she was b. in Buck., July 5, 1876; d. Dec. 22, 1929, ae. 53 yrs. Children:
  - 5 i Robert Eugene, b. Nov. 18, 1895.
  - 6 ii Clifton William, b. Apr. 2, 1898.
  - 7 iii Linwood L., b. July 7, 1900.
  - iv Willard Cecil, b. July 13, 1906.
  - v Pearl Etta, b. Mar. 8, 1909; m. May 18, 1930, Alexander Sall of Buck. Children: 1. Rose Arline, b. Feb. 19, 1931. 2. Frederick Willard, b. July 10, 1933.
  - vi Lula Lydia, b. May 13, 1912; m. Aug. 23, 1930, Philip M. Page of Buck.
- 5 Robert Eugene, s. of William(4), b. Nov. 18, 1895; m. Oct. 26, 1919, Marjorie, dau. of Morris Mitchell, b. in Shelburne; resides Murray Place. Had:
  - i Robert Eugene, Jr., b. July 12, 1921.
- 6 Clifton William, s. of William(4), b. Apr. 2, 1898; m. Sept. 1, 1920, Mildred E., dau. of Edward and Mary (Robinson) Bradford. Res. Ashfield. Had:
  - i Edward William, b. Aug. 12, 1927.
- 7 Linwood L., s. of William(4), b. July 7, 1900; m. Sept. 27, 1924, Winifred A., dau. of Charles E. and Gertrude Willis, b. in Ashfield. Children:
  - i James Ernest, b. May 24, 1926.

- ii Russell Herbert (twin), b. Mar. 14, 1931.
- iii Norman (twin), b. Mar. 14, 1931.

SCOTT, Walter E., s. of Elijah and Clara, b. in Hawley; m. Luna C., dau. of Joseph E. and Lucy Frost, Dec. 29, 1887. Now lives Greenfield.

SCULLY, Catherine, widow (dau. of Edmund and Ellen LeHay), b. in Ireland; d. Dec. 15, 1913, ae. 79 yrs.

SCULLY, John, s. of Michael and Johanna (Grady), b. in Ireland; d. in Buck., June 5, 1906, ae. 90 yrs.; m. Kate. Children:

- i Nellie S., b. either in Augusta, Me. or Newburyport, Mass.; m. (1) — McVey; (2) Oct. 10, 1881, Edward M. Delano, d. July 4, 1917, ae. 64 yrs.
- ii Annie B., b. in Buckland; m. (1) — Brown; (2) Herbert S. Brewer of Westfield; (3) May 30, 1888, Francis Meehan of Buckland.

SCULLY, Ellen, d. Nov. 24, 1875, ae. 65 yrs.

SCULLY, Lizzie, d. Nov. 9, 1872, ae. 5 yrs.

SCULLY, Michael and Bridget, both b. in Ireland. Children:

- i Michael, d. Nov. 14, 1873, ae. 3 yrs.
- ii William Henry, d. Nov. 16, 1873, ae. 11 mos.

SCULLY, William, s. of Michael and Johanna, b. in Ireland; d. Jan. 19, 1874, ae. 40 yrs.

SCULLY, William, had:

- i Son, b. Dec. 1, 1872.

SCULLY, William, m. Mary O'Brien. Had:

- i Bridget, b. in Ireland; m. in Buck., Sept. 25, 1875, Michael Barry.

SEARS, Clark and Emeline, residents of Buck. Had:

- i Walter, m. May 18, 1881, Anna E., dau. of Foster and Martha King.

SEARS, Henry P., manufacturer, of Gerry, N. Y., b. in Rowe, s. of Lyman and Anna; m. in Buck., Jan. 1, 1875, Flora A., dau. of Augustus and Mercy Todd, b. in Charlemont.

SEARS, Milton Foster, s. of Freeman and Eunice (Parsons), b. in Goshen, Mar. 20, 1845; d. Oct. 20, 1915, ae. 70 yrs.; m. June 8, 1873, Hannah E. (also known as Elizabeth S. and Lizzie H. Sears), dau. of Elijah and Hannah Shaw. She was b. Aug. 24, 1851; d. Feb. 1, 1929, ae. 76 yrs. Children:

- i Winifred B., b. 1873; m. Nov. 8, 1893, Willis A. Wells. She d. Mar. 13, 1931, ae. 57 yrs.

SEVERANCE, Luther, m. Polly, dau. of Zebulon Eddy. He joined the second Baptist church in 1828; removed to Crete, Ill. Children:

- i Zebina, d. Apr. 8, 1841, ae. 7 yrs.
- ii Almira, d. Feb. 4, 1853, ae. 17 yrs.
- iii Ella H., m. — Carter; d. Feb. 9, 1844 at Momence, Ill.
- iv Daughter, m. Austin Howes.
- v Francis Herbert, b. July 9, 1848.

SEVERANCE, Melville A., m. Sept. 6, 1854, Mary A. Early.

1 SHAW, Benjamin (Benjamin<sup>5</sup>, Moses<sup>4</sup>, Benoni<sup>3</sup>, Jonathan<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>, who was at Plymouth before 1627; from England), b. 1759; d. Jan. 21, 1836. On Jan. 15, 1798 he arrived in Buckland with a family of five children, the youngest of whom was nine years old. The trip from Middleboro was made in five days, on a sled drawn by oxen. Settled in the south part of the town in Apple Valley on the place just north of the Robert Williams farm. He served in the Revolutionary War eighteen months and fifteen days actual service, enlisting from Middleboro, the earlier home of the family. Received a pension. Married Sept. 27, 1781, Sarah, sister of Zephaniah Richmond. She d. Mar. 19, 1823, ae. 65 yrs. Children, order unknown:

- i Elijah, given on the authority of W. O. Taylor; no mention made of him in his father's will.
  - ii Nancy, pub. with Robert Cobb of Ashfield, May 6, 1802.
  - iii Phebe, m. May 2, 1814, Josiah Cobb.
- 2 iv Enoch, Aug. 7, 1787.
- v Susan, b. July 9, 1788.
  - vi Sarah, m. — Mansfield.

2 Enoch, s. of Benjamin(1), b. Aug. 7, 1787; d. June 3 or 7, 1844; m. Oct. 25, 1812, Elizabeth (Betsey), dau. of Shepard and



Mary (Carpenter) Moore. She was b. 1789 in Goshen; d. July 26, 1848. Children:

- 3    i    Elijah, b. June 21, 1813.
- ii   Mary, d. Apr. 5, 1885; m. Jeremiah Stockwell.
- iii   Eliza, b. 1818; m. Apr. 22, 1870, Edwin Williams.
- iv   Benjamin, 1817; d. July 18, 1847.
- v   William Richmond, rem. to California, m. and had a family.
- vi   Fannie, b. ab. 1823; m. Nov. 27, 1845, Zenas Smith of Boston, formerly of Buck.
- vii   Sarah R.; m. Aug. 16, 1848, Joseph Ballard Taylor. She d. July 25, 1855, ae. 27 yrs.

3    Elijah, s. of Enoch(2), b. June 21, 1813; d. Sept. 9, 1896; m. in Goshen, Nov. 27, 1838, Hannah Cook, dau. of Reuben and Mary (Carpenter) Smith. She was b. Feb. 19 or 22, 1814; d. Oct. 23 or 25, 1881. Elijah Shaw spent his entire life in Buck., a genial, kindly man who had an unfailing store of stories and anecdotes always at his command. Children:

- 4    i    Elijah, b. Oct. 16, 1839.
- ii   Fannie Eleanor, b. June 6, 1841; d. Mar. 23, 1917; m. Dec. 25, 1871, Jonathan Temple of Boston. Two children: 1. Ethel Gertrude, b. Dec. 30, 1872. 2. Bertha Genevera, b. Feb. 3, 1879.
- iii   Alona Davis, b. Sept. 14, 1847; d. Jan. 2, 1849.
- iv   Hannah Elizabeth, b. Aug. 24, 1852; m. June 8, 1873, Milton F. Sears. She d. Feb. 1, 1929.
- 5    v   William Richmond, b. Aug. 5, 1858.

4    Elijah, Jr., s. of Elijah(3), b. Oct. 16, 1839; d. Nov. 15, 1908. He was a Civil War veteran and an interested member of Ozro Miller Post G.A.R.; m. Nov. 30, 1870, Mary E., dau. of Augustine W. Phillips of Buckland. She was b. June 27, 1853. The earlier married life of this couple was spent in Hawley prior to their removal to Buckland. Children:

- i    William Eugene, b. Nov. 30, 1871; m. Jan. 1, 1895, Minnie L., dau. of Cranson and Maria (McDonald) Thayer. They res. Buck.; no children.
- ii   Infant, b. Dec. 5, 1873; d. Jan. 29, 1874.

- iii Grace Frances, b. Dec. 25, 1874; m. Charles J. King, May 20, 1905. Five children. Res. South Amherst.
  - iv Arthur Hamilton, b. Apr. 24, 1877; was a carpenter by trade; d. Feb. 17, 1919; m. Oct. 20, 1915, Mrs. Sarah Belanger, dau. of Austin and Sarah (Townsend) Wells.
  - v Martha Lamson, b. Apr. 8, 1879; m. June 7, 1899, Galen W. Johnson.
  - vi Ernest Wellington, b. Apr. 21, 1881; d. May 13, 1906, a drowning accident.
  - 6 vii Charles Elijah, b. Aug. 2, 1882.
  - viii Mary Maria, b. Feb. 11, 1885; m. June 2, 1915, Edwin O. Clapp, a dentist of Springfield. Has: 1. Carolyn Shaw, b. Mar. 25, 1916. 2. Mary Jeanne, b. Dec. 30, 1918.
  - ix Fannie Smith, b. June 2, 1887; m. June 2, 1915, Harry W. Kendrick, b. Heath, res. Buck. Has: 1. Irving Shaw, b. June 20, 1917. 2. Ruth Huntress, b. Sept. 20, 1920. Mrs. Kendrick is a graduate of North Adams Normal School, a former teacher, member of the school committee since 1923 and now chairman of the board. She is the author of the historical part of this work.
  - x Richard Nutting, b. Aug. 17, 1889; m. Dec. 24, 1917, Elsie K. Howard. A graduate of Cornell University, Veterinarian, living in Northboro, Mass. Three children: 1. Alberta Howard, b. Dec. 24, 1919. 2. Sylvia Adair, b. July 10, 1923. 3. Beverly Burton, b. Dec. 13, 1924.
  - 7 xi Harry Phillips, b. Apr. 3, 1892.
  - xii Louise Miriam, b. Mar. 13, 1894; m. June 27, 1916, Clifford B. Cronan; res. Newtonville. Three children: 1. Calvin Shaw, b. July 12, 1917. 2. Miriam Phillips, b. Feb. 19, 1921. 3. Whitney Clifford, b. Oct. 9, 1925.
- 5 SHAW, William R., s. of Elijah(3), b. Aug. 5, 1858; d. May 15, 1925; m. (1) Pearl S. Bates, who was b. in Cummington. After her death he rem. to Grenola, Kan., m. a second and third time and had more children. Children b. in Buck.:
- i Wayne Francis, b. Oct. 20, 1884.

- ii Harold M., b. Aug. 24, 1886.
  - iii Robert Lincoln, b. July 22, 1889; d. Apr. 13, 1893.
- 6 Charles Elijah, s. of Elijah, Jr.(4), b. Aug. 2, 1882; m. Feb. 14, 1912, Ida, dau. of John and Louisa (Halsing) Strohecker of Buckland. She was b. July 6, 1883. Child:
- i Robert Ellis, b. Apr. 7, 1919, at E. Hartland, Conn.
- 7 Harry Phillips, s. of Elijah, Jr.(4), b. Apr. 3, 1892; Capt. in World War; m. July 6, 1918, Mary E. Hilliard. He is a florist, residing at Buck. Children:
- i Infant.
  - ii Virginia Phillips, b. May 6, 1921.
  - iii Lincoln Hilliard, b. May 31, 1925.
  - iv Marilyn Ruth, b. May 1, 1928.
- 1 SHAW, Charles, b. England, s. of James; d. Dec. 29, 1898, ae. 61 yrs., probably that Charles who m. Sarah G. Grinold, b. in England; d. Oct. 11, 1904, ae. 64 yrs. Children, order unknown:
- i Charlotte A., b. in England; m. Sept. 1, 1877, Henry Herring.
  - ii Son, b. Sept. 28, 1872.
  - iii William Henry, b. Feb. 1, 1875.
  - iv Henry, b. Oct. 5, 1877; d. Nov. 7, 1877.
  - v Frank Arthur, b. Dec. 26, 1879; m. Apr. 26, 1902, Nancy D., dau. of Simon and Sarah (Hitchcock) Jaffrey of Warrensburgh, N. Y.
  - vi Lena M., b. at Shelburne; m. Dec. 13, 1881, Halbert G. Littlejohn.
- 2 vii Charles W., b. ab. 1868.
- 2 Charles W., s. of Charles(1), b. ab. 1868; m. Mar. 4, 1889, Ella M., dau. of Orville and Louise Tolman; rem. to Holyoke, soon after 1890. Had:
- i Pearl M., b. Apr. 28, 1890.
- SHAW, Charles, m. Ann Herring. Had:
- i Ada, m. Nov. 10, 1903, Harry J. Keach of Buckland.
- SHAW, Hosea, pub. Mar. 21, 1799 with Mahala Day of Williamsburg.



1 SHAW, Joseph Walter, s. of Joseph and Ann (Wilkins), b. in England; d. Nov. 25, 1904, ae. 46 yrs. He m. Aug. 2, 1877, Ada, dau. of John L. and Jane Hill, b. also in England. Children, b. in Buck.:

- 2 i Joseph Walter, b. June 22, 1879.
- ii Lilla May, b. July 15, 1881; m. Feb. 14, 1914, Drury Whitman Breed of Williamstown.
- 3 iii Charles T.
- 4 iv Fred W., b. Oct. 20, 1886.
- v Edna Annie, b. Jan. 26, 1891; m. July 19, 1911, William S. Mills of Buck.
- vi Harry H., b. June 9, 1894; m. Jan. 11, 1913, Cora, dau. of Moses Gebo of Shelburne.
- 5 vii Ralph E., b. Mar. 17, 1897.

2 Joseph Walter, s. of Joseph Walter(1), b. June 22, 1879. A swedger by trade; m. June 30, 1911, Carrie A., dau. of Alton and Julia (Wilder) Pratt of Buckland. Had:

- i Helen May, b. Nov. 17, 1923.

3 Charles T., s. of Joseph Walter(1), m. Nov. 28, 1906, Ada, dau. of Arthur and Mary North of Buckland. Children, b. in Buck.:

- i Parker, b. Oct. 12, 1907.
- ii Marjorie, b. Nov. 25, 1908.
- iii Son, b. Aug. 7, 1910.
- iv Lucille, b. Dec. 4, 1927.

4 Fred W., s. of Joseph Walter(1), b. Oct. 20, 1886, resides on Elm Street; m. Jan. 23, 1908, Essie M., dau. of Frank A., and Diana Bennet, b. in Danbury, Vt. She d. Sept. 11, 1922, ae. 35 yrs. Children:

- i Walter Bennet, b. Apr. 17, 1910.
- ii Son, b. Feb. 17, 1912.
- iii Daughter, b. Dec. 13, 1915.
- iv Howard A., b. Nov. 8, 1919.

5 Ralph E., s. of Joseph Walter(1), b. in Buckland, Mar. 17, 1897; m. Oct. 6, 1919, Orella F., dau. of Charles and Edith Herzig. Had:

- i Jean Lila, b. July 17, 1924.

SHAW, Nathan, was a member of the first Baptist church in 1789.

SHAW, Parnal, of Buck., was pub. with Stephen Temple, Dec. 22, 1798, and again Feb. 8, 1802.

SHAW, Simeon, was a land owner in 1793.

SHAW, Thomas B., a cutler, b. in England; m. May 1, 1870, Isabel, dau. of Joseph and Ann Latham. She was b. in England; d. Mar. 15, 1883, ae. 32 yrs. Children:

- i Daughter, b. Oct. 24, 1871.
- ii Wilfred H., b. Sept. 6, 1876.
- iii Gerald J., b. Feb. 2, 1878.
- iv Son, b. Mar. 21, 1881; d. Mar. 25, 1881.

SHAW, Welburn, a cutler, s. of Thomas and Sarah A. (Welburn), b. in England; d. Dec. 16, 1906, ae. 54 yrs.; m. Charlotte Bastock. Children:

- i Sarah Ann, b. in England, in 1871; m. Oct. 7, 1891, Clarence W. Ward.
- ii Alice, b. ab. 1874, in Newark, N. J.; m. Mar. 21, 1894, Elmer Miller Huntoon; resides East Cambridge.
- iii Jennie, b. Aug. 3, 1876; d. July 10, 1877.
- iv Thomas, b. May 13, 1879; m. Oct. 23, 1904, Bertha W., dau. of O. and Hattie Crosier.

SHEDD, Charles B., b. Dec. 30, 1875, s. of Charles Decater Shedd (b. Sherburne, Vt.), and his wife Olive (Booth), b. Colrain, was living in Buck., in 1900. A present resident, unm. His mother lives with him.

SHEEHAN, John, m. Mary —, who d. Apr. 19, 1887. Children:

- i Patrick.
- ii Ann.
- iii Mary, m. Owen Murphy.
- iv Jane, b. Dec. 15, 1866.
- v Joanna, b. Aug. 1, 1868.

SHEEHAN, Ellen, d. June 8, 1867, ae. 47 yrs.

SHEPARD Joseph, was probably from Portland, Conn.; a Revolutionary pensioner living in the family of his son Amos, in Buckland, June 1, 1840, at which time his age was given as 86 yrs.

His name appears on the voter's lists of 1806 and 1822. Before the earlier date he was no doubt living for a time at Ashfield. He m. Anna Bosworth, who d. in Buck., Apr. 18, 1826, *ae.* 70 yrs. and according to a newspaper notice of her death, was formerly of Chatham, Conn. Had:

2 i Amos.

Very likely other children — names not known.

2 Amos, s. of Joseph(1), b. (Ashfield?) July 4, 1784; voter in Buckland in 1806 and 1822 and during his residence here took an active part in town affairs, serving as assessor, town clerk and treasurer, Justice of the Peace, Representative to the General Court. The last of his life was spent at So. Deerfield, where he d. Dec. 10, 1862. He m. Dec. 13, 1809, Harriet, dau. of Samuel and Esther (White) Taylor. Children, b. in Buck.:

- i Gratia Taylor, b. Nov. 20, 1810; d. unm. at So. Deerfield, in 1899.
- ii Ruth, b. Jan. 1, 1813; d. Jan. 4, 1813.
- iii Wealthy Hyde, b. Apr. 25, 1814; m. Jan. 22, 1849, Eli Cooley of So. Deerfield.
- iv Rachel Bosworth, b. Aug. 12, 1816; m. Oct. 14, 1871, John Hunter of Holyoke.
- v Harriet Asenath, b. Aug. 26, 1818; m. June 26, 1845, Moses Maynard of So. Deerfield.
- vi Jonathan Grout, b. Apr. 18, 1821.
- vii Amos Clay, b. Feb. 9, 1824.
- viii Zina Hyde, b. Aug. 21, 1826; d. at Muddy Creek Forks, Fla.
- ix Ann Eliza, b. May 20, 1829; m. George S. Page of So. Deerfield.
- x Esther Ruth, b. Sept. 13, 1831.

A child of Amos Shepard, d. Aug. 26, 1834. (Ch. rec.)

SHEPARD, Isaac, was of Ashfield before coming to Buckland. While here he lived at Buckland Four Corners, removing thence to N. Y. State. He m. Jerusha, dau. of Israel Phillips. They joined the second Baptist church, by letter in 1832; dismissed to the church in No. Adams in 1837.

SHEPARD, Lydia B., of Buckland, m. John Ames, Jan. 16, 1823. (Ch. rec.)



1 SHERWIN, Dea. Nathaniel, b. at Hebron, Conn., in 1760; d. in Buck., July 31, 1834. He m. Mary. She was b. in Ashfield; d. May 9, 1845, ae. 82 yrs. Children:

- 2 i Edmund Phelps, b. 1804.
- 3 ii William.
- iii Ezra B., was assessor for several terms; d. 1877, ae. 77 yrs.; his son, Lyman W., d. in Buckland, Oct. 21, 1849, ae. 6 yrs.; dau. Helen E., d. July 27, 1844, ae. 14 yrs.
- iv Alenda, m. Nov. 10, 1806, James Temple.
- v Eunice, m. — Graves.
- vi Nathaniel, d. Feb. 14, 1818, ae. 20 yrs.
- vii Polly, d. Feb. 4, 1809, ae. 17 yrs.

2 Edmond Phelps, s. of Nathaniel(1), b. 1804; d. Dec. 20, 1880, ae. 76 yrs.; m. Nancy, dau. of Samuel and Sarah (Butler) Taylor. She was b. Feb. 4, 1806; d. Dec. 27, 1871. Children:

- i Elizabeth L., b. Sept. 11, 1831; d. Sept. 29, 1903, ae. 72 yrs.; unm.
- 4 ii Abner T., b. Feb. 24, 1833.
- iii Mary B., b. Sept. 23, 1834; m. June 5, 1877, LeBaron Ruddock of Buckland. She d. Jan. 2, 1910, ae. 75 yrs.
- iv Sarah, b. July 8, 1836; d. Oct. 11, 1839.
- v Sarah N., b. Jan. 24, 1841; m. Sept. 8, 1858, Eli C. Maynard. She d. June 7, 1923.

3 William, s. of Nathaniel(1), m. Dec. 9, 1809, Marcia, dau. of Elias and Abigail (Ballard) Carter of Buckland. She was b. Nov. 5, 1792; d. June 7, 1852; m. (2) in Boston, May 17, 1853, Eleanor G. Thompson, of Bristol, Me. He was a mechanic living in Buck. and Shelburne Falls for a number of years, but died in New York City, May 19, 1866. He was town clerk, assessor, selectman, overseer of the poor, school committee and representative. Children:

- i Elias Carter, b. Apr. 5, 1813; m. Nov. 29, 1833, Sophia W. Kendrick. He d. (without children), Apr. 21, 1838; she m. (2) Nov. 28, 1843, Orrick W. Packard of Charlemont.
- ii Sylvester N., b. Apr. 5, 1813; teacher and clerk; d. in Clarendon, N. Y., Oct. 12, 1836.

- 5   iii Orville, b. Jan. 29, 1816.  
    iv Elvira, b. Apr. 5, 1819; m. 1844, Baxter R. Fellows of Buck.; d. Mar. 18, 1852.  
    v Marshall B., b. Sept. 1, 1821; m. 1851, Mary V. Barr, of Ill. He d. June 28, 1880. His widow and seven children, resided in Wyoming.  
    vi William Fisk, b. Mar. 14, 1826; d. Apr. 14, 1888. For a more extended account of his life, see the main part of this work. He m. Sept. 29, 1847, Mary A., dau. of Jonathan Howes of Ashfield. He had four children one of whom was b. in Albany, N. Y., Jan. 15, 1863.  
    vii Henry, d. Dec. 20, 1828, ae. 6 mos.  
    viii Ellen Abigail, b. Dec. 13, 1829; m. Sept. 6, 1849, Lucius G. Alvord of Shelburne; d. Dec. 6, 1870.  
    ix Henry M., b. Mar. 19, 1831; res. in Dakota.  
    x Lucy W., b. Sept. 19, 1833; m. Oct. 9, 1872, her brother-in-law, Lucius G. Alvord of Shelburne.
- 4 Rev. Abner T., s. of Edmund P.(2), m. Apr. 1858, Julia M. Smith; d. at Crystal Lake, Minn. Children, b. in Buck.:  
    i Son, b. Jan. 31, 1862.  
    ii Son, b. May 5, 1868.
- 5 Orville, s. of William(3), b. Jan. 29, 1816, in N. Y. State; m. June 3, 1839, Phebe Fellows. She d. May 4, 1842; m. (2) Dec. 26, 1843, Betsey, dau. of Michael Ware, who d. at Shelburne Falls, Jan. 20, 1867; m. (3) July 22, 1869, Jennie D. Legg of Dakota. Children:  
    Sidney Orville, b. June 6, 1848.  
    Two by first wife, one probably S. O. above.  
    Four by second wife, one of whom was Mary A., who d. Dec. 1, 1861, ae. 8 yrs.
- SHERWIN, Nathaniel W., m. Sarah A., dau. of William E. Bardwell of Shelburne, Jan. 1, 1851. Was a member of the school committee in 1851.
- SHERWIN, George H., had a dau., b. Dec. 8, 1867.
- SHERWIN, Wealthy (Parker), a widow, d. May 11, 1888, ae. 85 yrs., b. in Charlemont.

SHIPPEE, Nathan, was here in 1790 with a family of three males under sixteen and one female.

1 SHIRTCLIFFE, Charles, d. Apr. 20 or 22, 1878, ae. 58 yrs. Children:

- 2 i Alfred C., b. England.
- ii John Frederick.
- iii Anna, m. William Turton.

2 Alfred C., s. of Charles(1), b. in Eng.; d. June 1, 1911, ae. 67 yrs.; was living here in 1900; m. Elizabeth, dau. of Joseph and Anna Schofield, b. in Sheffield, Eng. She d. Feb. 22, 1920, ae. 68 yrs. Children:

- i Nellie Mary, b. in Naugatuck, Conn.; m. in Buck., Feb. 17, 1923, as second wife, Oliver Franklin Twombly of Buck.

SHULDA, Vencel, b. Bohemia, m. Anna B., dau. of Philip Koskuba. She d. Dec. 13, 1918, ae. 66 yrs. Children:

- i Charles W., res. Bristol, Conn.
- ii Vincel, res. Buck.
- iii Thomas M., m. Jan. 24, 1916, Orsie Irene, dau. of Edmund and Regina P. Beaureguard of Hawley. Had 1. Helen L.
- iv Frank M., res. Worcester.
- 2 v Jacob Philip, b. June 5, 1892.
- vi Mary Ann, b. Nov. 22, 1894; d. Aug. 7, 1905.

2 Jacob Philip, s. of Vencel(1), b. June 5, 1892 in Buck.; m. Sept. 22, 1919, Margaret Helen, dau. of John L. and Josie Sommer. Children:

- i Jacob, Jr., b. Feb. 7, 1920.
- ii Philip Charles, b. Feb. 12, 1923.

SIMONDS, Alpheus, of Buckland. Had:

- i Augusta, d. Aug. 24, 1841, ae. 11 yrs.

SIMONDS, Maria L., of Buckland; m. in Guilford, Vt., Sept. 7, 1846, Luke Gates of Leominster.

SLATER, John, s. of John, b. in Ireland; d. in Buck., Mar. 10 or 13, 1887, ae. 64 yrs.; m. Margaret (given both Webb and Keating). Children:



- i Margaret, b. Boston; m. Dec. 25, 1889, Asher J. Brooks of Buckland; d. May 6, 1909.
- ii William T., b. Boston; was living here in 1900; d. June 7, 1902, ae. 47 yrs.
- iii John E., b. Buck.; m. Feb. 11, 1901, Mary L., dau. of Henry Ariel Colrain; she d. Dec. 8, 1914, ae. 32 yrs., one daughter.
- iv Michael J., res. Northampton.
- v Thomas, d. Jan. 24, 1868, ae. one mo.
- vi Henry E., res. Reading, Pa.

SMITH, Aaron, of Buckland, rem. to Stockton, N. Y.; living there in 1873.

SMITH, Abel, was here in 1790, with one male under sixteen, and two females in his family. His will, made May 17, 1802, and probated the thirtieth of the following November, mentions his "wife Prudence, sister, Sibel Munson and Reuben Chilson a boy under fifteen," living with him, also his nephew Salmon Munson. These were perhaps his family of 1790. The will was witnessed by Uriel Smith. Prudence Smith (widow in the intention), m. Apr. 9, 1806, Ebenezer Belding of Ashfield.

SMITH, Alfred. In his will dated May 21, 1826, mentions his wife, Mary F.; his mother, the Widow Deborah Smith; brothers David, Moses, Albert and Zephaniah; and his sisters Deborah Reed, Candace Sherman, Priscilla Henman, Jemima Smith.

SMITH, ALBERT H., s. of H. Augustus and Sarah, b. in Conway; d. in Buck., Apr. 3, 1894, ae. 15 yrs.

SMITH, Rev. Asa, was b. in Williamstown, Vt., July 16, 1809; d. Feb. 10, 1886; installed as pastor of the Congregational church here in 1848. His earlier life was spent as a missionary; was in Oregon in 1838, going thence in 1841 to the Sandwich Islands, resigning because of ill health in 1845, and returned to the States by way of China and South Africa. He m. (1) Mar. 15, 1838, Sarah G. White, b. Apr. 14, 1813; d. May 27, 1855. He m. (2) in So. Amherst, June 25, 1856, Harriet, dau. of George Nutting. She was b. Dec. 3, 1826; d. May 22, 1866. On the Smith monument of this family is also: "Hannah, wife of Asa, later wife of Joseph Kendall, d. Aug. 14, 1817."

In 1854, Rev. Smith and wife adopted Charles Alexander, b. Jan. 19, 1848; and George Alfred White, b. Sept. 9, 1850, sons of

Maria Brown of New York City. On Aug. 22, 1850, they adopted Lucy Maria, b. at Waialua, Sandwich Islands, Nov. 19, 1838; and Martha Laurens, children of Edwin Locke and wife, deceased missionaries at the Sandwich Islands. These two girls had lived in their family after the deaths of their parents. The names of all these children were changed to Smith.

Lucy Maria, m. Elijah Harmon and d. in Buckland, June 1, 1871.

SMITH, Anna (dau. of John Raymond), b. in Germany; d. June 26, 1921, ae. 55 yrs.

SMITH, Betsey, m. Jan. 9, 1796, Joel Fisk, both of Buck.

SMITH, Betsey, m. May 31, 1804, Solomon Cook, both of Buck.

SMITH, Mrs. Charles M., d. Apr. 2, 1870, ae. 25 yrs.

SMITH, Catherine S., b. in Canada; d. June 28, 1879, ae. 45 yrs.

SMITH, Cora Ella, dau. of E. A.; d. Aug. 11, 1855, ae. 13 mos.

SMITH, Eddie, s. of Edward H., b. in Fitchburg; d. Oct. 13, 1878, ae. 9 yrs.

SMITH, Edmund Mills (Gaius<sup>7</sup>, Quartus<sup>6</sup>, Elisha<sup>5</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>4</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>3</sup>, Philip<sup>2</sup>, Samuel<sup>1</sup>), b. June 2, 1821 in Sunderland; d. July 22, 1891. He removed from Sunderland to New Salem in 1849 and in 1852 to Buck.; m. Mar. 4, 1846, Mary, dau. of Nathaniel and Sally Freeman of New Salem; she d. Jan. 14, 1917, ae. 96 yrs. Children:

- i Edmund Nathaniel, b. Aug. 19, 1847; d. Sept. 3, 1849.
- ii Mary Evelyn, b. Apr. 22, 1850; m. June 2, 1870, Jeremiah W. Dugan; resides Montague.
- iii Ellen Maria, b. Aug. 13, 1852; m. Nov. 22, 1870, Baxter A. Orcutt of Buck.
- iv Lora Emma, b. Aug. 12, 1854; m. June 1, 1876, Benjamin W. Bray; d. Oct. 26, 1879.
- 2 v Edmund Francis, b. Dec. 5, 1857.
- vi Carrie Etta, b. Dec. 18, 1859; d. Feb. 10, 1860.

2 Edmund Francis, s. of Edmund Mills(1), b. Dec. 5, 1857 in Buckland; m. Sept. 26, 1883, Katherine S., dau. of George and Hannah Garford, b. in Elyria, O., Apr. 23, 1856; d. Nov. 10, 1926, ae. 70. Children, b. in Buck.:

- i Carrie Evelyn, b. Aug. 20, 1884; m. — Yetter; res. Fallon, Nev.
  - ii Arthur G., b. Sept. 6, 1887; m. Jan. 12, 1926, Mrs. Eliza I. Anderson, dau. of Francis Page, b. on Long Island.
  - iii Fannie L., b. July 20, 1890; m. Jan. 25, 1916, Frank A. Glazier of Leverett.
  - iv Harvey H., b. June 5, 1893; res. St. Paul, Minn.
  - 3 v George E., b. abt. 1896.
- 3 George E., s. of Edmund F.(2), b. abt. 1896; m. Aug. 21, 1924, Violet R., dau. of John A. and Ada M. Page, a teacher. Children:
- i Katherine Mary, b. Sept. 30, 1925.
  - ii Reold Francis, b. Apr. 29, 1927.
  - iii Sarah Ellen, b. Sept. 25, 1928.
  - iv Edmund Francis, b. Apr. 1, 1930.
  - v Homer Ellis, b. May 3, 1931.

SMITH, Elihu, d. Oct. 14, 1833. (Ch. rec.)

SMITH, an infant of Elihu Smith, d. Oct. 14, 1833. (Ch. rec.)

SMITH, Electa, pub. July 15, 1803 with Ethan Allen Crary of Ashfield.

SMITH, Eli K., b. Winchester, N. H.; d. Jan. 1, 1888, ae. 83 yrs. Children:

- i Adeline, b. 1830; d. 1896; m. Orson Warner.
- ii Augusta M., m. May 20, 1872, Lyman Edson of Wilmington, Vt.; resided Shelburne Falls.
- iii Mariette S., d. Nov. 24, 1849, ae. 14 yrs.

1 SMITH, Elijah, removed from Upton to Buck., enlisted in the Revolutionary service at Montague and was a pensioner in 1832. Hed. June 9, 1834, ae. 88 yrs. His wife, Rachel, d. Sept. 29, 1834, ae. 86 yrs. Among their children was:

- 2 i Elisha, b. Sept. 6, 1785.

2 Elisha, s. of Elijah(1), b. Sept. 6, 1785; d. Oct. 23, 1853; was a Captain in the War of 1812; was a selectman and overseer of the poor. He m. (1) Jan. 4, 1809, Diantha, dau. of James Butler. She was b. Oct. 17, 1788; d. Sept. 1, 1832; m. (2) Aug. 27, 1833, Abigail Hawks of Charlemont. She was b. May 22, 1783; d. June 13, 1846; m. (3) July 1, 1847, Widow Achsah W. Smith,



who was b. Dec. 25, 1794, of either Ashfield or Hawley. This last marriage is given on the authority of the *Greenfield Gazette* and *Courier*, and the will of Elisha. Children, b. Buckland:

- i Sarah, b. May 28, 1810; m. ——— Brayman of Amherst.
- 3 ii Hoyt, b. May 26, 1812.
- iii Elias, b. Dec. 22, 1814; sett. in Boston.
- iv Roswell B., b. Dec. 17, 1816.
- v Diantha, b. Aug. 5, 1819; m. ——— Hawes; resided in Boston.
- vi Zenas Elmer, b. June 30, 1821; d. in Boston, June 15, 1886; m. Nov. 27, 1845, Fanny Shaw of Buckland.
- vii Caroline F., b. Mar. 10, 1823; m. Sept. 5, 1850, David A. Fisk of Shelburne. Removed to Canandaigua, N. Y.

3 Hoyt, s. of Elisha(2), b. May 26, 1812; a carpenter by trade; d. Sept. 7, 1877; m. Oct. 16, 1834, Content (dau. of Silas and Content) Dodge of Hawley; she was b. Nov. 3, 1814; d. Sept. 22, 1852; m. (2) Apr. 16, 18—, Olive Howard of Charlemont. She d. Feb. 15, 1869, ae. 43 yrs.; m. (3) in Ware, Feb. 7, 1870, Mrs. Carrie F. Briggs of So. Deerfield. She d. Oct. 21, 1875. Children, b. in Buckland:

- i Elisha C., b. Oct. 29, 1836; d. Jan. 4, 1886; m. (1) Caroline S., who d. in 1879, ae. 45 yrs.; m. (2) Feb. 25, 1882, Mrs. Lucinda Smith, widow of J. Holoway and dau. of Manley and Caroline Drake of Buck. She d. Dec. 8, 1920, ae. 82 yrs. He left a son, Wilbur H. Smith, of Chicago, Ill.
- 4 ii Charles D., b. Sept. 16, 1838.
- iii Frederick H., b. July 12, 1840, a Civil War veteran; m. Nov. 9, 1864, Priscilla M. Williams of Ashfield, where they resided.
- iv Son, b. May 10; d. May 11, 1843.
- v Abbie H., b. May 15, 1845; m. Nov. 21, 1866, George Cooley of Sunderland; she d. Apr. 3, 1890.
- vi Emerette Achsah, b. July 10, 1847; m. Nov. 18, 1868, Edwin P. Williams of Ashfield.
- vii Eliza C., mentioned in her father's will as unm., and living in Buckland; m. ——— Lane; removed to Hartford, Conn.

- viii Frank F., mentioned in father's will as of Holyoke.
- ix Walter D., b. July 27, 1856; m. Mar. 25, 1888, Ellen A., dau. of Alfred S. and Amelia Ruddock. He d. Jan. 6, 1930, ae. 72 yrs., s. p.
- x Henry A., mentioned in father's will as of Holyoke.
- xi Preston H., b. abt. 1860; d. May 19, 1891; unm.  
(One son was b. Sept. 16, 1854.)

4 Charles D., s. of Hoyt(3), b. Sept. 16, 1838; a carpenter by trade; d. Apr. 25, 1912; m. Jan. 21, 1858, Lucy M., dau. of John Frost of Buckland. She was b. Apr. 5, 1838; d. May 13, 1915. Had:

- i William Merton, b. Jan. 20, 1865; resided Springfield and Athol; m. Julia A. Elmore, who was b. 1866; d. 1926.

SMITH, Emily E., dau. of Chester, b. Northampton; d. Apr. 17, 1912, ae. 57 yrs.

SMITH, Elder Enos, s. of Chileab of Ashfield, b. in Ashfield, July 24, 1749; d. in Ashfield, Mar. 8, 1836, the death being entered on the Buckland church records. He was living in Buckland in 1790 and probably spent more or less of his life here. In 1832 he was recorded as a Revolutionary pensioner having a residence in Buck. He m. Hannah, dau. of Josiah Drake. She d. Dec. 28, 1844, ae. 80 yrs. Children, order uncertain:

- 2
  - i Emery, "son of Rev. Enos."
  - ii Theresa, "dau. of Elder Enos," b. May 23, 1803; m. Nov. 14, 1824, Hiram Richmond. She d. Nov. 13, 1857.
  - iii Zebina, pub. with Hannah Smith of Colrain, Feb. 5, 1803. He was a voter in town in 1806.
  - iv Uriel or Uriah, m. Hatura Smith.
  - v Enos, Jr., m. Cynthia Chapin, according to one record; by another, Lucina, dau. of Japhet Chapin of Buckland. It is thought that the latter is more likely to be correct.
  - vi Calvin, m. Eunice Cobb.
  - vii Lurilla, m. June 9, 1819, Osee Munson of Whately. She d. Sept. 29, 1835, ae. 36 yrs.
  - viii Julia, m. Nathan Elmc.

2 Emery, s. of Elder Enos(1), m. Mar. 6, 1821, Thetis, dau. of Capt. Othniel Johnson. In 1841, they removed to Wisconsin. Children:

- i Hannah, b. Jan. 17, 1824.
- ii Othniel, b. Aug. 10, 1826.
- iii Coley, b. Feb. 2, 1829; m. Nov. 6, 1849, Elsie N. Sprague, b. June 19, 1849; rem. to Greenfield, Wis.
- iv Alfred L., b. Dec. 25, 1833; m. Deborah S., dau. of Jesse and Anna (Johnson) Morse; res. Wis.
- v Frederick A., b. Jan. 11, 1839.

SMITH, Francis, a member of the second Baptist church in 1828; d. 1848.

SMITH, George N., Jr., s. of George N. and Louisa (Dole); m. Nov. 15, 1892, Emma L., dau. of Horace F. and Mary (Williams) Taylor and widow of Horace Graham of Buck. Res. Shelburne.

SMITH, Israel, pub. with Esther Cook, July 25, 1804. Had:

- i Susan, b. Nov. 1, 1807; m. Erastus Elmer, and d. Mar. 18, 1878, ae. 70 yrs.

SMITH, James A. Had:

- i Son, b. Aug. 27, 1868.

SMITH, Jane L., wife of Ralph, and a dau. of Elias Gray; d. Feb. 17, 1853, ae. 32 yrs.

SMITH, J. Holloway, formerly of Ashfield; d. in Buck., Oct. 4, 1873, ae. 38 yrs.; m. Lucina, dau. of Manley Drake. She m. (2) Feb. 25, 1882, Elisha S. Smith.

SMITH, Rev. J. J., m. Mary M., dau. of Barnett W. Dole. She was b. Apr. 10, 1817; d. May —, 1854.

SMITH, Jonathan, was a voter here in 1806; d. Oct. 31, 1838, ae. 64 yrs. His wife Sarah, d. Oct. 20, 1838, ae. 51 yrs. Children, all over 14 in 1839:

- i Erasmus D.
- ii Jerome.
- iii Caroline F.

(Probably also Lemuel, see below, who was administrator of Jonathan's estate.)



SMITH, Joseph L., b. in DeKalb, N. Y.; m. Hattie, dau. of James and Roby McKnight of Buckland, Oct. 25, 1875. Had:

- i Florence Hattie, b. Sept. 30, 1876.

SMITH, Lemuel, s. of Jonathan (b. in Chatham, Conn.) and Sarah (b. in Buckland), b. in Buckland; d. there, Nov. 4, 1883, ae. 70 yrs. A Lemuel was a voter in Buckland in 1806; m. Priscilla, dau. of Asa Nichols. She d. Feb. 28, 1889, ae. 76 yrs. Children:

- i Eliza, b. July 27, 1841; m. J. Wesley Riddell of Greenfield.
- ii Carrie L., m. Curtis B. Larkin, Aug. 8, 1869; d. Jan. 10, 1912, ae. 61 yrs.
- iii Priscilla B., d. Jan. 15, 1864, ae. 13 yrs.

SMITH, Luther, was living here in 1900.

SMITH, Mary E., d. Apr. 6, 1875, ae. 17 yrs.

SMITH, Martha, b. Aug. 5, 1802; m. Dec. 20, 1821, Roswell Allis of Buckland.

SMITH, Moses, Dr., d. in Buckland, Oct. 22, 1849, ae. 74 yrs. His wife, Ann B., d. Sept. 28, 1849, ae. 78 yrs.

SMITH, Quartus, of Buckland, rem. to Stockton, N. Y., where he lived in 1873, then ae. abt. 77 yrs.

SMITH, Raimon (also Reman), s. of Michael and Lizzie, b. in Germany; m. in Buck., Sept. 15, 1883, Annie, dau. of Christian and Barbara Sauter, a native of Germany. Children:

- i Frank Conrad, b. Oct. 2, 1884; d. Apr. 10, 1887.
- ii Annie, b. Oct. 22, 1886; m. July 2, 1904, Frank Doorhammer of New York; resides Buck.
- iii Son, b. Dec. 26, 1888.

SMITH, Robert H., s. of Thomas and Helen (Hadden), b. in England; d. Mar. 16, 1896, ae. 73 yrs.; m. Mary E., dau. of John and Diana Wallis, b. England. She d. in Buckland, Sept. 23, 1884, ae. 60 yrs. Children, order unknown:

- i Samuel W., b. England; m. Emily, dau. of Joseph Latham; resided Canton, O.; had at Buckland: 1. Son, b. Feb. 16, 1871. 2. Elsie May, b. Dec. 6, 1873. 3. Cora Alice, d. June 13, 1874, ae. 1 yr.

- ii Ellen, m. (1) Isaac Booker, Nov. 5, 1866; m. (2) Nov. 15, 1881, George Heathcote of Buckland. She d. Sept. 23, 1927.
- iii Dianne, m. George Turner; resided Greenfield.
- iv Sarah Ann, res. Buck.
- v Anna A., m. — Spencer; resides Turners Falls.
- vi John Robert, resides Shelburne Falls.
- vii Agnes E., m. Oct. 1, 1890, Reuben E. Hillman of Colrain.
- viii Lucy R., m. Nov. 30, 1893, John L. Goldsmith of Shelburne Falls.
- ix William, deceased.
- x Mary E., b. in England; d. Apr. 6, 1875, ae. 17 yrs.

SMITH, Roswell, was a voter here in 1822.

SMITH, Samuel, had a daughter, b. Dec. 21, 1872.

SMITH, Samuel, was a voter here in 1806.

SMITH, Samuel, and Mary had:

- i Helen, b. at Chicopee; m. in Buck., June 26, 1878, Charles N. Wing, a native of Savoy.

SMITH, Silas (Elisha<sup>4</sup>, Jonathan<sup>3</sup>, Philip<sup>2</sup>, Lt. Samuel<sup>1</sup>), went from Hatfield to Whately and thence about 1800 to Buck. He finally removed to Sanquoit, N. Y., where he d. He m. Sept. 30, 1803, Fanny, dau. of Noah Field of Whately. She was b. 1788; d. at her son Houghton's, near Utica, N. Y. Children, five of whom were b. in Buckland:

- i Alpha, m. (1) Lucy Ruddock; m. (2) Ruth Ruddock.
- ii Bertha Angeline, m. Enoch Kenyon.
- iii Merrick, m. Calista Phillips; was living in Buck. in 1850. Their daughter, Orpha C., d. Aug. 2, 1844, ae. 2 yrs.
- iv Myra (or Maria), b. Dec. 13, 1808; m. Nov. 21, 1825, Josiah Booth. He d. in Conway in 1891, ae. 88 yrs., and she in Buck., Mar. 13, 1845.
- v Fannie, m. Franklin Ware of Buck.
- vi Laura, m. Harris Bircham; d. in Buck., Aug. 6, 1882.
- vii Silas, m. Feb. 22, 1846, Clara (or Clarissa) Parker. They had: 1. Daughter, b. Sept. 1, 1854. 2. Eddie H., d. Jan. 1, 1866, ae. 7 yrs.

viii Houghton, m. Miriam Stephens; lived near Utica, N. Y.

ix Austin, m. Harriet Davis; lived in California.

SMITH, Simeon C., of Buck.; m. in Northampton, May 22, 1850, Clarissa M. Look.

SMITH, Simon, b. in Germany; a cutler; m. Ida Rathke, b. in Germany. Children, b. in Buckland:

i Minnie Ida, b. Aug. 26, 1880.

ii Gertie Ida, b. July 11, 1885.

SMITH, William, s. of Thomas and Mary Ann (Ellison), b. in Sheffield, Eng.; d. July 28, 1920, ae. 64 yrs.; m. Annie ——. Had:

i William E., res. Heath.

ii John W., res. Shelburne.

iii Herbert E., res. Charlemont.

iv Leonard, res. Hopewell, Va.

SMITH, William H., b. in Ashfield, a carpenter; m. Jeanette E. ——. Had at Buck.:

i William, b. Oct. 9, 1884.

SOMMER, Henry, b. in Germany, July 4, 18—; deceased; m. Mary A., dau. of Caspar and Barbara Zimmerman. She d. in Buckland, Jan. 19, 1897, ae. 55 yrs. Children, b. Buckland:

i Louis, b. Oct. 19, 1867; res. Shelburne.

ii Katherine, b. Nov. 20, 1870; m. George Koonz; res. Greenfield.

iii Mary, b. Oct. 2, 1872; m. Feb. 20, 1895, Charles Koonz; res. Chelsea.

iv Frank, b. July 4, 1874; m. Sept. 5, 1899, Etta, dau. of Frank and Antis (Clark) Jefford of Colrain; res. Springfield.

v Elizabeth, b. Nov. 20, 1875; m. June 15, 1897, Julius J. Harris of Brattleboro, Vt.; res. Buck.

vi Edward, b. May 31, 1878; was in Buck. in 1900; d. 1910 in Chelsea, unm.

vii Lena, b. Aug. 2, 1880; m. Nov. 15, 1898, James P. Connell of Shelburne.

2 viii George, b. May 31, 1882.



2 George, s. of Henry(1), b. in Buckland, May 31, 1882; d. Apr. 4, 1930, ae. 47 yrs.; m. Mar. 28, 1904, Annie L., dau. of Henry and Flora (Thayer) Mills of Buckland. She res. Buck. Child:

i Ronald, b. Dec. 24, 1906; res. Buck., unm.

1 SOUTHWICK, Gilbert, was here in 1900; a blacksmith, s. of Amasa and Alice, b. in Pelham; d. in Buckland, Oct. 23, 1902, ae. 80 yrs.; m. Sarah ——. Child:

2 i Henry G., b. in 1851.

2 Henry G., s. of Gilbert(1), b. in 1851 in Shutesbury; d. Apr. 24, 1931; m. Ida Jane, dau. of Benjamin and Emily L. (Moor) Green. She was b. 1861; d. Feb. 22, 1924. Children:

i Alice M., b. in Erving; deceased; m. Sept. 24, 1908, Frances Crowningshield of Greenfield.

ii Ida Louise, b. in Buckland, Aug. 24, 1881; d. Sept. 29, 1898.

iii Mary Lyon, b. July 15, 1887; d. Nov. 4, 1902.

iv Benjamin Gilbert, b. Mar. 24, 1889; m. Sept. 2, 1913, Amy B., dau. of Ottoman Walburg. Res. Hartford, Conn. and White Plains, N. Y.

SPAFFORD, Jacob, was here in 1790, with a family of four males under sixteen and two females. He and his wife Abigail were taken into the church, June 28, 1789. Children:

i Nabby, bapt. June 28, 1789.

ii Jacob, bapt. June 28, 1789.

iii Nathaniel, bapt. June 28, 1789.

iv Sally, bapt. May 30, 1792.

v Electa, bapt. June 29, 1794.

vi Rhoena, bapt. Jan. 15, 1797.

vii Sumner, bapt. Sept. —, 1799.

SPAULDING, Rev. Josiah, b. Jan. 10, 1751 at Plainfield, Conn., grad. of Yale College; d. at Buckland, May 8, 1823. For many years pastor of the Congregational church here. For a fuller account of his life see the historical part of this work. He m. Mary, clay. of Judge Williams of Taunton. She d. Feb. 11, 1823, ae. 67 yrs. children:

i Mary, m. Mar. 8, 1810, Isaac Pomeroy, Jr. of South-ampton.

- ii Anna (also called Nancy), m. July 26, 1811, John Colman of Buckland.
- iii Josiah, d. Dec. 24, 1867, unm. He was for many years insane and tenderly cared for by his family.
- iv Lydia, m. May 8, 1822, Ezra Howes of Ashfield.

SPAULDING, "Miss Deborah," d. Apr. 22, 1845, ae. 51 yrs.

SPEAR, Benjamin B., d. Feb. 25, 1860; m. Lucy A. —. No children.

SPEAR, Chauncey L., was representative in 1871; m. Mary G., dau. of Capt. John Campbell of Waitsfield, Vt. She d. Feb. 28, 1875, ae. 50 yrs. Had:

- i Ella L., d. Aug. 8, 1867.

SPENCER, Fred, a cutlery grinder; b. in England; was living here in 1900. He m. Lucy J. Marion, b. Mason City, Mo. Children:

- i Ethel Grace, b. in Huntington; d. in Buck., Nov. 16, 1898, ae. 7 yrs.
- ii Daughter, b. in Buck., Jan. 23, 1900; d. Jan. 24, 1900.
- iii Martha, b. Jan. 13, 1902; d. same day.
- iv Harold, b. May 1, 1903; d. May 4, 1903.
- v Viollette, b. May 30, 1905.
- vi Stanley M., b. Jan. 18, 1908.
- vii Kenneth, b. May 18, 1909; d. May 21, 1909.

1 SPENCER, Samuel, b. Sheffield, Eng., a cutlery grinder, s. of Thomas and Ann (Curtis); d. Feb. 14, 1900, ae. 58 yrs. He m. Emma, dau. of Edward and Mary A. (Garrett) —. She d. Apr. 19, 1930, ae. 88 yrs. Children:

- 2 i Arthur, b. in England.
- 3 ii Samuel, Jr., b. in England.
- 4 iii William, b. in Meriden, Conn.
- iv Henry, b. in Northampton; d. July 3, 1885, ae. 11 yrs.
- v Mary Ann, b. Northampton; m. (1) Feb. 18, 1909, George R. Adams of Buck.; (2) George Thackary of Buck.
- vi Erlena, b. Northampton; d. Feb. 9, 1884, ae. 4 yrs.
- vii Clarena, b. Buck., Mar. 16, 1882.
- viii Florence, b. Buckland, Nov. 14, 1884; d. Dec. 10, 1884.

2 Arthur, s. of Samuel(1), b. in England; d. Sept. 12, 1912, ae. 51 yrs.; m. in Buckland, Mar. 7, 1885, Elizabeth E., dau. of John and Mary Ann Hall. Children:

- 5 i Clarence, b. Dec. 25, 1886.
- ii John William, b. Feb. 2, 1889; m. June 14, 1929, Elsie V., dau. of Oxel Anderson of Buck.
- iii Harriet, b. Oct. 9, 1900.
- iv Thomas, drowned July 7, 1921, ae. 19 yrs., unm.
- v Sadie V., m. Sept. 12, 1914, Charles A. Hall.
- vi Daughter, b. Mar. 18, 1909.
- vii Dewey S., m. Feb. 7, 1920, Bessie, dau. of George Rebedeau of Colrain.
- viii Millon A., m. Nov. 1, 1908, Harry K. Hogeboom of Buck.

3 Samuel, Jr., s. of Samuel(1), b. in England; m. Rose E. Oates. Resided Buckland. Children:

- i William Richard, b. Jan. 29, 1884; m. July 8, 1911, Mrs. Mary Clark Douglas of Buck.
- ii Mary Emma, b. July 8, 1885.
- iii Ruth, b. May 19, 1888.
- iv Alice Elizabeth, b. Aug. 20, 1890.
- v Herbert F., b. Oct. 27, 1896.

4 William, s. of Samuel(1), b. in Meriden, Conn.; d. in Buckland, July 25, 1920, ae. 52 yrs.; m. Kate, dau. of Joseph B. Grant, b. in England. Children:

- i Margaret, b. July 17, 1900.
- ii Edward D., m. June 14, 1916, Edna, dau. of Ernest and Alta (Roberts) Miner of Shelburne.
- iii Joseph, b. Unionville, Conn.; m. Sept. 11, 1916, Ada, dau. of Ernest and Alta (Roberts) Miner of Shelburne.
- iv Ray Burwell, m. May 17, 1921, Dora, dau. of Charles and Pamela LaBelle of Shelburne.

5 Clarence, s. of Arthur(2), a cutlery grinder, b. in Buck., Dec. 25, 1886; m. Grace E., dau. of Joseph and Martha Martin, b. also in Buck. Had:

- i Marion L., b. Nov. 13, 1904; m. May 19, 1923, Arthur Lawless, Jr., of Buck.



SPRAGUE, Abigail, m. Oliver Taylor and rem. to Hartland, Vt.

SPRAGUE, Archidell N., b. Guilford, Vt.; m. Elizabeth A. Gamwell. Had:

- i Margaret, b. in Buck., Oct. 22, 1882.

1 SPRAGUE, Benjamin (prob. Benjamin<sup>5</sup>, Benjamin<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup> Francis<sup>1</sup>), Rev. sol.; by deeds from Samuel and Lemuel Taylor acquired land in Buckland in 1780; d. in 1830, by Probate of estate, before May 19, 1835. Mrs. Sprague d. in 1831, ae. 87 yrs. (Ch. rec.) By probate papers her name was Molly. Sprague Genealogy says m. Mary Clark of Irish descent. Children, b. prob. in Buckland:

- i Rhoda, b. Aug. 15, 1780; d. unm. in Antwerp, N. Y.
  - ii Chloe, b. Apr. 12, 1782; m. Jan. 8, 1801, William Jones, Jr.
  - iii Polly, b. July 28, 1784; m. July 3, 1811, Ariel Tilden of Heath.
  - iv Susanna, b. Feb. 26, 1786; pub. with Abram Jones 2nd, July 22, 1806.
  - v Benjamin, Jr., b. Oct. 7, 1788, name on voting list of 1822; d. Antwerp, N. Y., where he went in the 1840's. He was pub. with Sally Jones, Mar. 20, 1806; lived at Buck., Hawley and Whitingham, Vt. before going to Antwerp.
- 2 vi John, b. Mar. 30, 1790.
- vii Sally, b. abt. 1792; d. ae. 96 yrs.; m. Emir Bell.
  - viii Levi, b. Mar. 20, 1794; d. y.
  - ix Lydia, b. Mar. 30, 1797; m. William Veber, June 2, 1814.
- 3 x Levi 2nd, b. Mar. 11, 1799.
- xi Lucy, b. July 21, 1800.

2 John, s. of Benjamin(1), b. Mar. 30, 1790; d. Mar. 8, 1847. His death was due to the falling of a limb from a tree which he was cutting in the woods. He served as selectman, overseer of the poor and Justice of the Peace. It is probable that he may have served in the War of 1812. He m. Feb. 15, 1815, Margaret, dau. of James Ware. She d. Apr. 15, 1871, ae. 78 yrs. Children:

- i Melinda, m. Dec. 16, 1846, Harvey D. Dunnell, who d. within a year; m. (2) Nov., 1851, Isaac D. Hawks, who d. 1876. She d. June 23, 1907, ae. 91 yrs.

- 4    ii James W., b. 1821.
- iii Horatio, b. 1829; d. Oct. 10, 1848, ae. 19 yrs.
- iv Susanna, d. May 25, 1827, ae. 1 m., 15d.

3 Levi, 2nd, s. of Benjamin(1), b. Mar. 11, 1799; d. Dec. 25, 1834; pub. Dec. 6, 1819 with Cynthia, dau. of Japhet Chapin. She was b. May 9, 1801; d. Jan. 30, 1886. Children:

- i Franklin, m. Semira, dau. of Othniel Johnson and widow of Samuel Derby, Jr. The family rem. to Hart, Mich.
- ii Mary, d. Feb. 18, 1905, ae. 80 yrs., unm.
- iii Lucy, b. Oct. 11, 1820; m. June 11, 1843, Oswin Johnson; res. Hart, Mich.
- iv Child, d. Nov. 30, 1830 (Ch. rec.)
- v Child, d. Oct. 22, 1835, ae. 2 yrs. (Ch. rec.)

4 James W., s. of John(2), b. 1821; d. Jan. 21, 1891. He was a selectman and overseer of the poor; m. (1) June 2, 1847 in Guilford, Vt., Jane, dau. of John B. Allis of Deerfield. She d. Feb. 6, 1858, ae. 39 yrs. He m. (2) Aug. 25, 1858, Betsey E., dau. of John Nims of Buck. She d. Mar. 2, 1871, ae. 43 yrs.; m. (3) Oct. 9, 1872, Mrs. Maria L. Gates, dau. of Alpheus and Nancy Simonds. She was b. in Wilmington, Vt. Children:

- i Margaret, b. Apr. 16, 1853; m. Aug. 17, 1887, Erwin T. Mallory of Buck. She d. Apr. 20, 1923.
- ii Lucy J., d. Aug. 25, 1865, ae. 9 yrs.

SPRAGUE, a brother of Benjamin, name not known, was early in Buckland. Children:

- i Joel, b. in Buckland, June 13, 1791; was pub. with Rebecca Ellis, May 3, 1814. Rem. to Spragueville, N. Y.
- ii Israel, twin.
- iii Leafy, twin. Both said to have been buried in the old cemetery in E. Buckland; no stones.
- iv Isaac, Rev., b. Nov. 20, 1802 in Buck.; d. Sept. 9, 1884, at Florence, N. Y.; m. Jan. 14, 1827, Sophronia Payne.

SPRAGUE, Jonathan, by deeds of Samuel and Lemuel Taylor was a landholder in Buckland in 1780; m. Apr. 4, 1807, Mrs. Sarah Harris of Buck. He was a voter in 1822. This couple are

said to have been buried in the old cemetery in E. Buckland. No stones.

SPRAGUE, Levi, b. in Buckland, Sept. 7, 1795; d. in Colrain, Nov. 2, 1879. He was selectman, assessor, overseer of the poor; m. July 12, 1821, Louisa, dau. of Zenas Elmer, b. in Ashfield, Jan. 11, 1803. She d. Feb. 5, 1892. Children:

- i Elvira, b. Dec. 18, 1823; m. May 6, 1845, D. A. Barnard of Buck.
- ii Laura, b. Mar. 28, 1826; m. May 15, 1847, in Guilford, Vt., Joseph T. Miller.
- iii Wealthy, b. Sept. 2, 1829; m. Joseph R. Wells of Buck.
- iv Prussia, b. Sept. 2, 1832; d. Sept. 25, 1893; m. Nov. 16, 1854, Rominor S. Fairbanks of Colrain.
- v Milo C., b. Feb. 23, 1836; d. Apr. 14, 1898, unm.
- vi Elwin, b. Feb. 2, 1841; m. —; resided Hartford, Conn.

SPRAGUE, Lucy, widow, dau. of Eben and Lucy Blanchard, d. in Buck., Mar. 12, 1895, ae. 82 yrs.

SPRAGUE, Nelson, s. of Daniel (b. Danbury, Vt.) and Susan (b. Gloucester, R. I.), b. in Douglass; d. Sept. 15, 1884, ae. 56 yrs.; m. Elizabeth M., dau. of Joshua and Achsah (Clark) Culver. She was b. in Guilford, Vt.; d. in Buckland, July 3, 1915, ae. 89 yrs. Children:

- i Lizzie M., d. June 27, 1884, ae. 25 yrs.
- ii Son, d. Oct. 11, 1866; d. June 15, 1883.

SPRINGER, Norman E., was here in 1900; res. East Charlemont.

STANFORD, Mrs. Mary E., dau. of Aaron and Laura Remington, b. in Savoy; d. in Buck., May 20, 1882, ae. 43 yrs.

STANFORD, Samuel S., s. of Ebenezer and Mary (Hawks), b. Zoar; d. in Buck., Feb. 18, 1903, ae. 81 yrs. Left dau., Mrs. Marion L. Warren of Charlemont; adopted son, Walter P. of Charlemont.

1 STANFORD, William J., b. Rowe, a carpenter by trade, was in Buck. in 1900; d. Dec. 22, 1922; m. Nellie J., dau. of James (b. Whitingham, Vt.) and Eunice (Nelson, b. Leyden), Streeter. She d. Nov. 1, 1927, ae. 65 yrs. Children:



- i Bessie Luella, b. Aug. 2, 1885; m. June 24, 1911, Joseph Earl Perry of Cambridge; res. Belmont.
- 2 ii Walter Smead, b. Sept. 1, 1888.
- iii Florence A., b. 1891; m. June 26, 1915, Richard David Kuhn of Easthampton.
- iv Lillian Pearl, b. Mar. 1, 1894; m. July 2, 1913, William H. Bettcher of Buck.

2 Walter Smead, s. of William J.(1), b. Sept. 1, 1888; resides Sears Street, a carpenter and builder by trade. Has been a member of the school committee and since 1918 on the board of selectmen. Member of committee on compilation of Buckland History. He m. Apr. 3, 1911, Nellie S., dau. of Thomas and Nellie (Wood) O'Hearne of Greenfield. Children:

- i Evelyn, b. Aug. 11, 1912.
- ii Ruth, b. June 10, 1914; d. June 24, 1914.
- iii Nelson Wood, b. June 1, 1917.

STANGER, Amelia L., m. John O. Call.

STANGER, Gustave, s. of John Christian and Katherine, b. in Germany; d. in Buckland, Sept. 20, 1916, ae. 55 yrs.; m. in Buckland, Dec. 6, 1887, Louise, dau. of Michael and Steina (Pfersick) Schontag. Children:

- i Mildred, b. 1894; m. Sept. 29, 1916, John Oscar Call.
- ii Alfred C., b. Dec. 29, 1897; m. Dec. 13, 1930, Sally (Wells) Anderson of Buck.
- iii Francis H., b. July 21, 1900; m. Oct. 14, 1927, Alice B., dau. of Alva Canedy. She was a teacher, b. in West Dover, Vt.
- iv Gustave, b. Oct. 17, 1904.
- v Rena, b. May 30, 1906.

STEARNS, Betsey, by will Oct. 23, 1806, bequeaths effects to sister, Lydia, and brothers, Mansfield, Thomas and Nathaniel Stearns.

STEARNS, Clara, m. Nov. 18, 1868, Horace P. Frost.

STEARNS, Elizabeth F., widow of William deceased, late of Williamsburg, a resident of Buckland, had a daughter Cynthia Cordelia for whom a guardian was appointed Dec. 18, 1844. Mrs. Elizabeth Stearns d. June 6, 1850, ae. 33 yrs.

STEARNS, Mary C., widow, dau. of Nehemiah and Rebecca Porter, formerly of Ashfield and Hadley, d. in Buckland, Nov. 24, 1880, ae. 61 yrs.

STEARNS, Sally, m. Oct. 15, 1794, Ichabod Leonard, both of Buckland.

STEARNS, Sarah, wife of Cyrus, d. June 25, 1850, ae. 84 yrs. "Recently of Goshen."

STEBBINS, Abraham, was living in Buckland in 1790 with a family of one male over sixteen, one under, and two females. On Mar. 12, 1789, he and his wife Lydia were received into the church. In 1790 he, then of Buckland, sold land in Hawley. Children:

- i James, bapt. Mar. 12, 1789. (A James was pub. with Lydia Tyler, Apr. 5, 1794.)
- ii Abraham, bapt. Mar. 12, 1789. (Abraham, Jr. was pub. with Hannah Dodge of Hawley, Aug. 5, 1797.)
- iii Lydia, bapt. Mar. 12, 1789.

STEELE, Alfred. Had:

- i Daughter, b. Feb. 14, 1857.
- ii Daughter, b. Aug. 15, 1864.

STEELE, Elijah. Had:

- i Polly, b. July 19, 1797.

STEELE, Rhoda, was pub. with Howard Edson, Jan. 23, 1796.

STEELE, William. Had:

- i Charles, b. Jan. 24, 1852; res. Charlemont.
- ii Freeman, res. Charlemont.

STEIGLEDER, Charles, was a voter here in 1900.

STEPHENS, John, b. in Germany; d. in Buckland, Mar. 18, 1895, ae. 70 yrs.; m. Caroline Mayell, b. also in Germany; d. Feb. 13, 1905. Children:

- i Lizzie, m. Oct. 9, 1882, Frank H. Chandler.
- ii Emma J., m. June 27, 1881, Walter Turton, 2nd.

STEPHENS, Walter, s. of Hiram and Melinda, b. Montague; was in Buckland in 1900; d. Feb. 4, 1902, ae. 63 yrs. He m. Har-

riet E., dau. of Luther and Roxy (Moor) Hunt. She was b. in Warwick; d. Aug. 5, 1916, ae. 66 yrs.; no children.

STETSON, Clarence, a farmer of Buckland; m. (1) Edith G., dau. of Martin and Lucy (Shippee) Bronson of Ashfield. She d. June 26, 1914, ae. 35 yrs.; m. (2) June 16, 1915, Mary, dau. of William and Lucy Packard, b. in Plainfield. Children:

- i Harold.
- ii Howard.
- iii Anna.
- iv Russell.
- v Ashley Ellis, b. Oct. 12, 1912.
- vi Edith, b. June 24, 1914.
- vii Lucy May, b. June 19, 1916.

STETSON, Levi, s. of Levi and Jedidah, b. Abington; d. Sept. 11, 1879, ae. 76 yrs., at Plainfield; buried in Buck.; m. (1) Sarah White, who d. Nov. 3, 1872, ae. 67 yrs.; m. (2) Dec. 25, 1873, Mila A. Keyes, dau. of Samuel and Isabel Smith. Children:

- i Eliza, b. 1817; m. June 27, 1849, Samuel Brackett of Buck.; d. May 19, 1910.
- ii Sarah E., m. Nov. 7, 1849, Abner Woodward of Buck., She d. June 6, 1911, ae. 79 yrs.
- iii Henrietta, m. Joseph Hubbard of Buckland, where she d. Oct. 3, 1873, ae. 49 yrs.
- iv Edwin O., d. Aug. 13, 1842, ae. 18 mos.

STETSON, Merritt, b. Abington, Dec. 15, 1802 or 1804; rem. to Plainfield when five years old. In 1889, he was living in Buck., the oldest man in town; d. Jan. 31, 1894, ae. 92 yrs; m. Mary Hook. She was b. in Buck.; d. in Greenfield, June 20, 1864, ae. 63 yrs. Children:

- i Maria M., b. Mar. 6, 1824; m. Oct. 26, 1849, Horace Elmer. She d. Jan. 7, 1893, ae. 68 yrs.
- 2 ii William H., b. in Buckland.
- iii Annie E., b. Ashfield, 1835; m. Manley Jilson; d. June 20, 1910; ae. 75 yrs.
- iv Philomela C., b. Buck.; m. Dexter Drake; d. Mar. 17, 1914, ae. 91 yrs.
- 3 v Henry C.



vi Amos.

vii Martin L., deceased before 1879.

2 William H., s. of Merritt(1), d. Sept. 20, 1896, ae. 68 yrs.; m. Apr. 10, 1851, Lexana L., dau. of Dea. William Putnam of Buck. She d. Sept. 23, 1906, ae. 74 yrs. Had:

i Idella, m. Levi Coates; d. Feb. 21, 1903, ae. 50 yrs.

3 Henry C., s. of Merritt(1), d. May 28, 1861, ae. 29 yrs. He m. Sophia E. —; she m. (2) — Martin and resided at Bridgeport, Conn. Had:

i Frank Henry, who was 18 yrs. old in Apr. 1879.

STETSON, Rosalia S., widow of Charles, was dau. of Silas and Ann E. (Torrey) Haskins. She was b. in Plainfield; d. May 7, 1922, ae. 83 yrs.

STOCKWELL, Charles Pratt Wood, s. of Theodore Wood, had name changed by adoption to Charles Pratt Stockwell, Feb. 11, 1873.

STOCKWELL, Jeremiah, s. of Jeremiah and Lydia (Torrey), b. in Plainfield, Mar. 23, 1812; d. May 6, 1900 in Buck. to which place he moved about 1860. He m. (1) Mary Shaw, who d. Apr. 5, 1885, ae. 70 yrs.; m. (2) Mar. 23, 1886, Mrs. Angelia (Wilson) Taylor, widow of George H. Graham. She was b. May 10, 1838; d. Nov. 18, 1923. Children:

i Hosea W., m. Mar. 12, 1862, Eliza L. Holden of Hawley.

ii Enoch J., was representative in 1886-7; m. Dec. 6, 1865, Kate M., dau. of Emerson Pratt of Buckland. They adopted Charles Pratt Wood.

iii Fanny Ella, who was drowned June 2, 1869, ae. 19 yrs.

STONE, Ambrose, b. in Vermont; d. in Buckland, Aug. 19, 1901, ae. 83 yrs.; m. (1) Diantha L. —. She d. July 28, 1867, ae. 35 yrs. He m. (2) Marietta M., dau. of Richmond Mallory, who d. Dec. 17, 1913. Had:

i George H., m. in Buckland, Nov. 13, 1886, Eva F., dau. of Dexter and Sophronia Dickinson. They had a dau., b. in 1892.

ii Eddie E., d. Apr. 14, 1867, ae. 2 yrs.

STONE, Seth, d. Dec. —, 1856, ae. 63 yrs. His widow Melinda, d. Nov. 10, 1894, ae. 91 yrs.

STRATTON, Eber, s. of Elisha and Calista (West), b. in Gill; d. Jan. 16, 1903, ae. 74 yrs. He was active in town affairs and had served as selectman; m. June 5, 1867, Electa P., dau. of Silas Trowbridge. She is now living in Shelburne Falls. Children:

- i George E., b. June 2, 1872; res. Boston.
- ii Charles West, d. Sept. 29, 1874, ae. 4 yrs.
- iii May E. (adopted), m. Arthur Richmond, East Charle-  
mont.

Calista West Stratton, dau. of Gershom and Hannah West, mother of Eber, d. in Buckland, May 12, 1877, ae. 83 yrs. Buried in Gill.

STREETER, Charles, b. Aug. 21, 1878 in Buck.

STREETER, Eliza M., m. Oct. 17, 1879, Charles Brady of Greenfield.

STREETER, G. D., m. Amanda —, and adopted:

- i Cora May Bond, who d. Aug. 21, 1874, ae. 6 mos.

STREETER, Gilbert D., m. Nov. 10, 1875, Sarah E. Newell of Colrain.

STREETER, James, m. Eunice, dau. of James and Harriet (Cushman) Nelson; she was b. in Leyden; d. in Buck., July 3, 1912, ae. 73 yrs. Had:

- i Nellie J., b. in Rowe; m. William Stanford; d. Nov. 1, 1927.
- ii Rose, m. Sept. 28, 1900, John Condon; res. Manchester, N. H.
- iii George H.
- iv Erwin M., res. Bernardston.
- v Bertha M., m. Luman Nelson of Bernardston; res. Winchester, N. H.; deceased.

STREETER, Patience M., dau. of Jonathan Madison Streeter, b. in Arlington, Vt.; d. Mar. 16, 1880, ae. 56 yrs.

STREETER, Reuben, s. of James and Prudence (Baker), b. in Rowe, June 18, 1828; d. Oct. 28, 1913; a carpenter by trade; m.

Cynthia A., dau. of Zophar Woodward. She was b. Aug. 30, 1825; d. Oct. 2, 1914.

1 STROHEKER, John C., b. in Germany; came to America abt. 1864; d. in Buck., Dec. 21, 1884, ae. 64 yrs. Clara, his widow, d. Nov. 12, 1887, ae. 61 yrs. She was b. in Germany, dau. of Andrew and Catherine Deering. She may have been a second wife. Children, b. in Germany:

2 i John, Jr., b. Nov. 25, 1847.

3 ii Charles A., b. Sept. 2, 1853.

iii Pauline, m. Charles Roggenbauch of New York City.

2 John, Jr., s. of John(1), b. Nov. 25, 1847 in Germany; d. Oct. 7/8, 1914; m. Dec. 24, 1872, Louisa M., dau. of Jacob and Rebecca (Eichler) Hastings, b. Dec. 14, 1852 in Broadbrook, Conn.; d. Nov. 21, 1911. Children, b. Buckland:

4 i Fred, b. July 10, 1874.

ii Edward, b. Dec. 8, 1879; d. Feb. 13, 1880.

iii Ida P., b. July 6, 1883; m. Feb. 14, 1912, Charles E. Shaw.

iv John Henry, b. Aug. 25, 1876; m. Jan. 17, 1900, Emma, dau. of George and Anna (Gootz) Haigis; has Mildred H., b. July 3, 1904.

5 v Harry W., b. Apr. 6, 1878.

vi Isabel L., b. Aug. 18, 1881; m. Oct. 18, 1905, Arthur J. North of Buck.

3 Charles A., s. of John(1) and Katherine, b. in Germany, Sept. 2, 1853; d. June 7, 1919; m. Mary E., dau. of Russell and Elizabeth (Fuller) Goodnow, who was b. in Charlemont, Feb. 4, 1859; d. in Buckland, Apr. 2, 1928. Children:

6 i Charles William, b. Jan. 13, 1879.

ii George Russell, b. Mar. 1, 1881; m. Nov. 5, 1902, Estella, dau. of Prescott and Ella J. Leland of Shelburne; res. Greenfield; 2 chil.

4 Fred W., s. of John, Jr.(2), b. in Buck., July 10, 1874; m. May 6, 1905, Eva, dau. of Philip and Elizabeth (Ott) Elsheimer, b. in Germany. Children:

i Helen L., twin, b. Jan. 15, 1906; m. June 9, 1929, Francis R. Looman of Southwick.



- 7    ii   Harold F., twin, b. Jan. 15, 1906.  
      iii   Wilfred, b. Dec. 12, 1912.
- 5   Harry W., s. of John, Jr.(2), b. Apr. 6, 1878; res. Ashfield;  
m. June 18, 1902, Bernice A., dau. of Louis and Annie (Boehmer)  
Ware of Buckland. Children:
- i   Francis W., b. Sept. 24, 1904.  
      ii   Edward, b. Feb. 22, 1907.  
      iii   Catherine, b. June 18, 1908.  
      iv   Richard, b. 1910.  
      v   Wallace, b. Dec. —, 1911.  
      vi   Harry, b. June —, 1923.
- 6   Charles William, s. of Charles A.(3), b. Jan. 13, 1879; d. Oct.  
17, 1930; m. (1) Feb. 21, 1900, Lora Eliza, dau. of George N.  
and Clara (Merritt) Townsley; she was b. Feb. 24, 1881; d. June  
24, 1914; m. (2) June 30, 1915, Cora T., dau. of Ambrose and  
Eunice (Rice) Gillman. Children:
- i   Clara May, b. Jan. 10, 1904; m. Dec. 24, 1925, John  
      G. Powell of Buckland; has John Francis, b. Aug.  
      20, 1929.  
      ii   Geneva A., b. Mar. 18, 1905; m. Oct. 12, 1932, Everett  
      Smith.  
      iii   Charles A., b. Aug. 14, 1906; m. Nov. 4, 1925, Mildred  
      G. Pease of Ashfield, where they reside. One child.  
      iv   Floyd T., b. July 15, 1910; d. May 16, 1929.  
      v   Glen William, b. Sept. 3, 1912; d. May 9, 1913.  
      vi   Nuel George, b. Oct. 23, 1908; m. June 27, 1931, Sylvia  
      Ware, dau. of Jacob Flagg of Shelburne; has Sylvia  
      Flagg, b. July 19, 1932.
- 7   Harold F., s. of Frederick(4), b. Jan. 15, 1906; d. Sept. 27,  
1931. He was a contractor; m. Dec. 31, 1930, Josephine Margaret  
Wabeck, b. Conway. Had:
- i   Russell Harold, b. Mar. 2, 1931.
- STRONG, Walter M., was living in Buck. in 1900, working there  
for a short time.
- SUBALON, Peter, was living here in 1900.
- SULLIVAN, Abbie, m. Patrick O'Connell. He d. Oct. 6, 1924,  
ae. abt. 54 yrs.

SULLIVAN, Florence, s. of Peter and Julia (Abbott), b. in North Adams; d. June 18, 1927, ae. 65 yrs.; m. Katherine Dean, b. in Ireland. Children, b. in Buckland:

- i Peter John, b. Jan. 17, 1895; d. Jan. 23, 1895.
- ii Marion C., b. May 25, 1899; m. Oct. 4, 1926, John A. McInnis of Greenfield.
- iii Katherine, b. Sept. 7, 1904.
- iv Julia M., b. Nov. 23, 1908.

SULLIVAN, Frank, d. Oct. 2, 1871, ae. 11 yrs.

SUTLIFF, Charles, was on the voting list for 1900.

SWEET, Alexander H., a clerk, b. in Plainfield; d. in Greenfield, Apr. 1929; m. Eliza., dau. of Albert and Susanna Mills of Buckland. Children, b. Buck.:

- i Edwin Forest, b. Aug. 23, 1886; res. Greenfield.
- ii Ernest Albert, b. Nov. 24, 1904.

SWEET, Clara M., dau. of Henry and Melissa of Shelburne; m. — Goodale, and d. in Buck., Jan. 4, 1886.

1 SWEET, Orlando Carlton (Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, Henry<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Joseph<sup>1</sup> of Colchester, Conn.), b. Dec. 10, 1838 in Shelburne; d. Feb. 8, 1920. His home was in the "Mill Yard" section. He was a musician and in its earlier days a member of the Shelburne Falls band. A Civil War veteran and member of Ozro Miller Post, G. A. R.; m. Fannie Ophelia, dau. of Frank and Fannie (Smith) Ware. She was b. in Ashfield; d. Oct. 30, 1916, ae. 77 yrs. Children:

- i Eva A., m. Mar. 28, 1883, Walter A. Goodnow of Buckland; d. Oct. 4, 1928, ae. 66 yrs.
- ii Fannie M., m. May 16, 1892, Orrin M. Harmon of Holyoke; she d. Mar. 20, 1919.
- iii Fred O., b. Mar. 9, 1913, ae. 54 yrs., unm.
- 2 iv Earl H.

2 Earl H., s. of Orlando C.(1), b. Shelburne, was on the voting list of 1900; m. Anna May Gober, who was a native of Chicopee; res. Buck. Children:

- i Daughter, b. May 5, 1920.
- ii Gordon Earl, b. May 30, 1922.

TATREAU, Frank F., s. of Frank and Eliza (Jacques), b. in Brandon, Vt.; d. May 7, 1919, ae. 52 yrs. He had lived here since before 1900. A carpenter and builder; m. Annie, dau. of Christian Adler. Children:

- i Margarette, b. Nov. 11, 1897; d. Feb. 7, 1898.
- ii Reginald, b. May 13, 1903.
- iii Paul Francis, b. July 23, 1905; d. Dec. 15, 1909.

TAYLOR, Alvah, s. of William and Lydia, b. 1835, Ashfield; d. Buckland, Sept. 16, 1890, ae. 55 yrs.; m. Julia A., dau. of Joseph Nichols, Jr. She was b. Aug. 26, 1836; d. 1916. Had:

- i Nannie J., b. Buck.; m. Feb. 23, 1890, Frank G. Purington.

TAYLOR, Amy, widow, d. Jan. 28, 1853, ae. 83 yrs. (Greenfield Gazette.)

1 TAYLOR, Ansel, s. of Stephen and Amy (Maynard), gr.-son of Capt. Isaac, b. in Ashfield, Oct. 12, 1795; d. Buckland, Jan. 14, 1880. Served in the War of 1812; selectman; representative in 1842. He m. Apr. 5, 1826, Betsey, dau. of Paul and Eleanor (Smith) Sears. She was b. in Ashfield, June 30, 1797; d. in Buck., Dec. 7, 1882. Children:

- i Catherine Isadore, b. Ashfield, Mar. 22, 1827; m. Oct. 27, 1847, Josiah P. Ward.
  - ii Eliza A., b. May 20, 1830; d. Mar. 22, 1901; m. Edwin Asa Davis of Buck.
  - iii Horace Whitney, b. June 20, 1833; m. Leonora Whipple; res. Fairbault, Minn.; 3 children.
  - iv Emmons Pratt, b. Aug. 20, 1835; m. Ellen —; res. Dodge City, Minn.; 4 children.
- 2 v Lewis Henry, b. Sept. 3, 1838.

2 Lewis Henry, s. of Ansel(1), b. in Buck., Sept. 3, 1838; d. May 10, 1925; m. Oct. 10, 1867, Ophelia M., dau. of Chandler M. Goodnow of Shelburne. She was b. Feb. 2, 1844 in Heath; d. Apr. 24, 1925. Children:

- i Frederick Leon, b. May 13, 1870; became a physician settling in Roxbury; m.; 2 children.
- ii Kate Maria, b. Oct. 8, 1872; m. Joseph H. Putnam, Oct. 27, 1897; d. Greenfield, Apr. 12, 1927; 6 children.



- iii Efford Earl, b. Oct. 17, 1874; res. Dedham; 4 children.
- iv Arthur Francis, b. in Amherst, Oct. 16, 1885; res. No. Amherst; m.; 3 children.

TAYLOR, Alex, was a resident here in 1900.

TAYLOR, Barnabas, b. 1782; d. Apr. 1, 1859. He was a voter in 1822 and perhaps lived here much earlier than that date. By the church record Barnabas Taylor m. Mar. 10, 1803, Hannah Billington, the residence of both being given as Buckland. She was b. 1782; d. 1822; m. (2) Syrena Giles, b. 1793; d. 1840; m. (3) Mar. 4, 1841, Lucy Lillie of Ashfield. She d. Sept. 11, 1876, ac. 86 yrs. One record speaks of this Taylor as "Barnabas, Jr."

TAYLOR, Bethia, m. Apr. 13, 1797, Joshua Whilder of Ashfield.

TAYLOR, Elizabeth, m. Sept. 21, 1814, Nathan Porter of Ashfield.

TAYLOR, Ephraim P., m. Apr. 5, 1842, Mary Allen of Cazenovia, N. Y.

TAYLOR, Frank L., b. Canadaigua, N. Y., a cutler; m. Alice G. Russell, b. in Shelburne. Res. Buck., where their children were b. Children:

- i Florence May, b. July 24, 1881.
- ii Nettie Almira, b. Mar. 27, 1883.
- iii Ernest Warren, b. May 17, 1885.

TAYLOR, George, was a resident here in 1900, a mechanic, b. in N. Y. State; m. Mary Roby. Had in Buck.:

- i Daughter, b. May 26, 1911.

TAYLOR, Estate of Isaiah, charged for a coffin, abt. June 1, 1819.

TAYLOR, Rev. James (John<sup>4</sup> of Norwalk, Conn., John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. at Norwalk, Conn., July 12, 1729; grad. Yale Coll., 1754, and the next year taught school at Deerfield. Preached at New Britain and New Fairfield, Conn., but having become a convert to "Sandemanism" he was finally dismissed from the latter place, and after the death of his wife in 1779, removed to Deerfield, and later to Buckland, where his son John had preceded him. Here he died July 7, 1785, and is said to have been the first adult to be buried in the old cemetery. His death was caused by a limb falling from a tree. A part of the Journal kept by him is in

Memorial Hall, Pocumtuck Valley Memorial Association, Deerfield, and contains many facts relative to his life. He m. Sept. 1, 1775, Mary, dau. of David and Thankful (Taylor) Field of Deerfield, his second cousin, and but fourteen years old when married. She was b. Oct. 31, 1841; d. at New Fairfield, Conn., Dec. 29, 1779. Children:

- i Mary, bapt. Oct. 27, 1755; d. in infancy.
- ii Mary, b. June 29, 1758, in Deerfield; m. Daniel Trowbridge, Jan. 16, 1777.
- 2 iii John James Stuart, b. Jan. 30, 1761.
- iv Tirzah, b. Jan. 11, 1764; m. Seth Hawks; rem. to Sodus, N. Y.
- v David Field, b. Jan. 19, 1767; rem. to Phelps, N. Y.; was a teacher in Buckland in 1794; m. abt. 1792, Rhoda Thompson.
- vi Samuel Edwards, was a teacher at Buckland, Feb. 20, 1792; d. at Conway, Feb. 13, 1793, unm.
- vii Hannah, b. June 16, 1772; m. Elihu Hoyt of Deerfield.
- viii Bette Filena, b. July 8, 1774; m. Hezekiah Hurlburt.
- ix Thankful, b. June 1777; m. David Hurlburt.
- x Sarah Amarilla, b. Dec. 27, 1779; m. Zachariah Dutton.

2 John James Stuart, s. of Rev. James(1), b. Jan. 30, 1761 in New Fairfield, Conn. He was living in Buckland as early as 1785 but removed about 1801, to Phelps, N. Y.; m. 1780, Mary Elizabeth, dau. of Seth and Elizabeth Hawks of Deerfield. Children who were probably b. in Buck.:

- i John, b. Nov. 14, 1782.
- ii Elizabeth, b. Aug. 1, 1784; m. 1805, Cephas Hoyt of Deerfield.
- iii Mary, b. 1787; d. 1804.
- iv Hannah, b. May 9, 1788; m. May 17, 1810, her cousin, James T. Trowbridge of Buckland.
- v James, b. Sept. 28, 1791; sett. in New York State.
- vi Edward, b. Mar. 1, 1793; sett. in New York State.
- vii & viii Twins, b. and d. 1794.
- ix Pamela, b. May 9, 1796.
- x Miranda, b. May 7, 1800; m. Othniel Taylor of Buck. There were at least five more children b. in New York.

TAYLOR, Joseph, b. in Sheffield, Eng.; was living in Buck. in 1900; and d. there, Jan. 10, 1905, ae. 68 yrs. He m. Harriet, dau. of John Nixon, also a native of Sheffield. She d. in Buck., Nov. 27, 1925, ae. 86 yrs. There were no children, the only heirs being nieces and nephews.

TAYLOR, Leavitt, m. Oct. 10, 1876 in Colrain, Ophelia Goodnow of Shelburne.

TAYLOR, Mercy, widow, m. Jan. 10, 1814, Asa Thayer of Hawley.

TAYLOR, Oliver H., of Buck., m. Oct. 8, 1856, Rachel R. Dodge.

TAYLOR. The Othniel<sup>1</sup> Taylor lines are descended through Samuel<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, from John<sup>1</sup>, who was of Windsor, Conn., 1640. For a fuller account of the earlier generations, see Sheldon's *History of Deerfield*, and the writings of the late William Othniel Taylor (now, 1936) in manuscript form.

1 Othniel, s. of Samuel of the third generation, b. Apr. 16, 1719 in Deerfield. "Cleared land in Charlemont, 1743, and was one of the earliest settlers"; a trader in furs and deer leather from New England to Albany, N. Y.; made snow shoes in quantities. In the last French war, his house with that of his brother Jonathan, was enclosed with palisades, and he was sergeant in command of a garrison. In 1759 he was a licensed inn holder, "there being no tavern between Deerfield and York Government." He was an active Whig and Captain of a company in the Continental army; tradition says he was near Boston, Apr. 19, 1775 and rode homeward 100 miles, giving the alarm, without getting off his horse. For a detailed account of his life see the main part of this work. He d. Dec. 27, 1788. On June 27, 1743, he m. his step-sister, Martha, dau. of Daniels Arms, she being then fourteen years and four months of age. She m. (2) about 1792, Abner Barnard of Northampton, a son of Ebenezer Barnard, who was the third husband of Othniel Taylor's mother. The marriage ceremony was performed by her son Samuel Taylor, who was a Justice of the Peace, and this was the origin of the statement often made to the young people of Buckland, that a man of that town "married his own mother." Othniel Taylor's purchase of 1000 acres of land, Nov. 1, 1742 from Phineas Stevens "at the east end of Charleymount" included about five hundred acres within the present town of Buckland. He gave to each of his sons a farm,



five of them being in Buck., where he added by purchase in 1771, from Gardner Wilder, another five hundred acres to his original farm. Children:

- 2    i   Samuel, b. Sept. 21, 1744 at Deerfield.
- ii   Mary Jane, b. June 23, 1746 at Deerfield. Her intended husband was drowned and she d. unm., Dec. 21, 1824.
- 3    iii   Lemuel, b. Feb. 11, 1748 at Deerfield.
- 4    iv   Enos, b. Feb. 3, 1751 at Charlemont.
- v   Othniel, b. Jan. 10, 1753 at Charlemont; rem. to Canandaigua, N. Y.
- 5    vi   Tertius, b. July 20, 1754 at Charlemont.
- vii   Martha, b. Dec. 21, 1756 at Charlemont; m. 1774, Lt. Josiah Johnson of Buck.
- 6    viii   William, b. Jan. 27, 1758 at Charlemont.
- ix   Lydia, b. Mar. 16, 1760; m. Mar. 16, 1778, her cousin, Zeeb Taylor.
- x   Rufus, b. Apr. 3, 1763; was a goldsmith; sett. in Worthington.
- xi   Lucinda, b. Nov. 26, 1765; m. Oct. 8, 1785, Joseph Hawley of Ellisburg, N. Y.
- xii   Tirzah, b. Jan. 2, 1769; m. Dr. Silas Holbrook, Aug. 21, 1783 or 85 of Greenfield, who became the first physician of Buckland.
- xiii   Dorothy, b. Jan. 7, 1711/2; m. Jonathan Hastings of Pembroke, N. Y.

(This family of thirteen children all lived until the youngest had 17 children.)

2 Samuel, s. of Othniel(1), b. Sept. 21, 1744 at Deerfield; d. Sept. 5, 1837. Was a Revolutionary soldier, captain of a company which marched from Deerfield. He early took an active part in the affairs of the town of Charlemont which, until 1779, included a part of Buckland. At the latter place he had a farm given him by his father probably about the time of his marriage, on which he built a large house. He was largely instrumental in securing the incorporation of the town of Buckland, was the first town clerk, holding that office for forty years. Was representative to the General Court from Charlemont. As a civil engineer he surveyed and laid out the major part of Buckland and lands in that vicinity. He gave the land for the cemetery at the Center, and

for a nominal sum, the Common and the land upon which the school house stands. He took a prominent part in the military affairs of the times and letters written by him while in the Revolutionary army may be found in another part of this work, as well as a more detailed account of his life. He was m. at Leominster, Dec. 2, 1769, to Esther, dau. of Col. Jonathan and Esther (Wilder) White of Leominster and Heath. She was b. Apr. 9, 1750; d. Apr. 18 or 21, 1830. Children:

- i Polly, b. Feb. 21, 1770; m. Sept. 26, 1796, Rev. Jonathan Grout of Hawley, a Chaplain in the Revolutionary army.
  - ii David White, b. Aug. 1, 1771; d. 1795, while visiting at Canandaigua, N. Y.
  - iii Nancy, b. June 9, 1773; m. (1) abt. 1795, Bidkar Jones; m. (2) Feb. 26, 1807, Levi Cook of Ashfield.
  - 7 iv Samuel, b. Aug. 7, 1774.
  - v Esther, b. Apr. 4, 1776; d. unm., July 24 or 26, 1854.
  - vi Gratia, b. Apr. 5, 1777; d. Oct. 7, 1777.
  - vii Gratia, b. Aug. 7, 1778; m. Dec. 7, 1808, James Mantor of Hawley.
  - 8 viii Henry, b. June 25, 1780.
  - ix Consider Arms, b. July 5, 1782; d. Mar. 4, 1786.
  - x Martha Arms, b. Feb. 7, 1784; m. Dec. 20, 1804, Capt. Thomas Longley of Hawley.
  - xi Consider Arms, b. Mar. 31, 1786; d. Apr. 30, 1786.
  - xii Harriet, b. Mar. 4, 1788; m. Dec. 13, 1809, Amos Shepard.
- 3 Lemuel, s. of Othniel(1), b. Feb. 11, 1748, at Deerfield; sett. in Buck., where he d. July 28, 1834; Rev. sol. One of the founders of the Congregational church of which he was for many years a deacon; m. Feb. —, 1773, Abigail White, a sister of his brother Samuel's wife. She d. Dec. 5, 1834. Children:
- i Rebecca, b. Apr. or Aug. 23, 1774; m. Sept. 28, 1794, Rev. Jesse Edson; m. (2) as a second wife, Sept. 2, 1810, Capt. Edward Adams of Colrain.
  - ii Abigail, b. Apr. 13, 1778; m. Feb. 21, 1797, Zenas Graham.
  - 9 iii Levi, b. Apr. 14, 1780.
  - 10 iv Lemuel, b. Jan. 18, 1782.

- v Tirzah, b. Apr. 4, 1784; m. Dec. 25, 1806, Sylvester Maxwell of Charlemont.
- vi Lucinda, b. May 6, 1786; d. 1794.
- vii Minerva, bapt. Nov. 16, 1788; d. 1795.
- viii Othniel, b. July 31, 1791; rem. and m. in N. Y. State.
- 11 ix Erastus, b. July 16, 1793.
  - x Lucinda, b. Aug. 11, 1795; m. Jan. 1, 1817, Marshall Lazell of Buck. They rem. to Weston, Lewis Co., Va., where he d. She then returned to Buck., where she d. Jan. 16, 1877.
  - xi Rowena, bapt. Nov. 16, 1788; d. young.
- 4 Enos, s. of Othniel(1), b. Feb. 3, 1751 at Charlemont, said to have been the first white child b. in that place; d. Mar. 25, 1831. He was a very generous man with a fondness for speedy horses, lived not far from his brother Lemuel; Rev. sol., 1777. He m. Feb. 25, 1774, Eunice, dau. of Edmund Longley of Hawley. She was b. at Shirley, May 27, 1753; d. Feb. 25, 1840 at Buck. Children:
  - i Joseph, b. Oct. 27, 1774; d. Aug. 15, 1777.
  - ii Olive, b. Apr. 18, 1775; d. Aug. 18, 1777.
  - iii Olive, b. Jan. or June 18, 1778; m. Nov. 21, 1798, Jabez Brooks of Buck.
- 12 iv Joseph, b. Dec. 6, 1779.
  - v Eunice, b. Feb. 6, 1781; m. her cousin Henry Taylor, Dec. 5, 1803.
  - vi Asa, b. Oct. 27, 1782; m. Feb. 11, 1813, Margaret, Thompson, dau. of David and Margaret Wilson; lived Colrain and Charlemont.
- 13 vii Enos, b. Aug. 3, 1784.
  - viii Edmund, b. Feb. 27, 1786; d. Aug. 30, 1786.
  - ix Edmund, b. Aug. 27, 1787; m. Sept. 3, 1815, Abiah S. Allen; rem. abt. 1820 to Ballston Spa, N. Y., thence in 1837 to Licking, O., near Homer.
  - x Consider, b. Mar. 27, 1790; d. Nov. 2, 1794.
  - xi Josephus, b. Jan. 19, 1792; d. in Va., Aug. 27, 1823, leaving a son Joseph.
  - xii Calvin, b. Aug. 4, 1794; d. Oct. 28, 1795.
- 5 Tertius, s. of Othniel(1), b. July 25, 1754 at Charlemont; d. Dec. 22, 1822. Served in the Continental line; sergt.; ensign;



lieutenant. After his return from the Rev. War in 1781, his father gave him a tract of 185 acres of land in Buck. Here he lived, on what has since been known as the "Alfred Woodward place," until his brother Othniel, who had the "Fort Farm" or homestead, removed to Canandaigua, when he moved over the river, and buying out Othniel and the other heirs in 1792, spent the rest of his life there. He m. Aug. 2, 1781, Elizabeth, dau. of Elias and Deborah Carter of Buckland. She was b. in Leominster, July 26, 1763 and for twenty-one yrs., received a pension; d. Jan. 16, 1843. Children:

- i Elizabeth, b. Dec. 30, 1781; d. on "Catamount Hill" near her father's place while berrying, Aug. 2, 1822, unm.
- ii Tertius, b. Apr. 22, 1783; d. at Charlemont, June 1851, unm.
- iii Sophia, b. May 22, 1785; d. May 10, 1794.
- iv Elias, b. July 6, 1788; sett. at Charlemont on the old home farm.
- v Amanda, b. Dec. 21, 1791; d. May 13, 1794.
- vi Elijah, b. Apr. 20, 1793; d. Aug. 6, 1796.
- vii Sophia, b. July 1, 1795; d. Aug. 15, 1796.
- viii Elijah, twin, b. May 27, 1797; d. May 31, 1797.
- ix Elisha, twin, b. May 27, 1797; d. May 31, 1797.
- x Pardon, b. July 19, 1799; d. Feb. 11, 1802.
- xi Consider, b. Feb. 25, 1802; d. Mar. 1, 1802.

6 William, s. of Othniel(1), b. Jan. 27, 1758 at Charlemont; d. Dec. 17, 1826. He rem. across the river to Buckland, carrying with him timber from the old log fort, for a tobacco shed and calf pen; said the walls were six inches thick. He lived on a part of the five hundred acre lot bought by his father; was a farmer and rope maker. He was active in securing the organization of Franklin County in 1812; m. Dec. 30, 1784, Abigail, dau. of Edward Giles of Charlemont. She was b. at Windsor, Conn., Apr. 19, 1764; d. July 5, 1802. He then m. (2) Sept. 19, 1803, Experience, sister of Stoddard Totman, and probably the widow of John Washburn of Colrain. She d. Aug. 20, 1830, ae. 69 yrs. Children:

- i Laura B., (given Louisa also), b. Feb. 19, 1786; m. Jan. 25, 1804, Joshua Boyden.
- ii William, b. Sept. 2, 1787; d. Sept. 6, 1807.

- iii Orrin, b. Sept. 5, 1789; rem. from Charlemont to Ohio after 1822.
- iv Abigail, b. Jan. 12, 1792; m. May 29, 1811, Hezekiah Palmer of Windsor, Conn.
- v Clarissa, b. Nov. 30, 1794; m. Aug. 31, 1813, Zerah Graham of Charlemont.
- vi Dorothy, b. July 2, 1797; m. Aug. 10, 1815, Horace Wells.
- vii Hart, b. Nov. 3, 1799; m. Apr. 30, 1826, Abigail Lombard of Colrain, rem. to Ohio after 1822. Had at Buckland, John Milton, d. Sept. 21, 1829, ae. 2 mos.
- viii Son, b. and d. June 2, 1802.
- ix Sophia, b. Apr. 11, 1805; m. June 27, 1822, Orrin Hawks of Charlemont.

7 Samuel, s. of Samuel(2), b. Aug. 7, 1774, at Buckland, then a part of Charlemont; d. Nov. 25, 1864. He lived about five hundred yards from his father's house. Here most of his children were born and here for many years, he kept an inn, the route to the west through Buckland and Savoy being much used as affording a less steep, if longer road over the Hoosac Mountain, than did the one through Charlemont. For many years he was town clerk and filled other offices, being considered one of the most active in civic affairs in Buckland in his day. He m. abt. 1796, Sarah, dau. of James and Sarah (Joslyn) Butler. She was b. Nov. 1, 1777; d. May 25, 1852. Children:

- 14 i David White, b. May 8, 1797.
- ii Sarah, b. Aug. 10, 1798; m. Sept. 28, 1817, Otis Hinckley of Buckland and Pomfret, N. Y.
- 15 iii Samuel, b. Jan. 24, 1800.
- iv Augustus, b. July 3, 1801; d. Sept. 25, 1801.
- v Julia, b. Aug. 15, 1802; m. David Wilson; res. Colrain and Shelburne Falls.
- vi Augustus, b. Aug. 7, 1804; d. June 8, 1807.
- vii Nancy, b. Feb. 4, 1806; n. Edmund P. Sherwin.
- viii Abner, b. Aug. 5, 1808; grad. Amherst Coll.; teacher; d. Sept. 11, 1832.
- 16 ix Roswell Butler, b. June 2, 1810.
- x Horace, b. Sept. 24, 1812; m. Sarah Gilkey; rem. to Canandaigua, N. Y.
- 17 xi James, b. Dec. 2, 1814.

- xii Minerva, b. Oct. 23, 1816; m. July 31, 1842, Thomas Orcutt of Buckland.
- xiii Delia Butler, b. Sept. 2, 1818; m. Feb. 23, 1854, John Allis of Conway.
- xiv Othniel White, b. May 25, 1820; m. Sept. 6, 1843, Fidelity Phillips, dau. of Zephaniah and Fanny (Moore) Richmond of Buckland; rem. to Canandaigua, N. Y. One of his sons, William Othniel Taylor, b. Feb. 18, 1855, became greatly interested in all that pertained to Buckland; returned to make his home first at Shelburne Falls and finally at Orange, where he d. Feb. 19, 1923, leaving a wife, née Jessie L. Grant. Mr. W. O. Taylor most painstakingly gathered and recorded a vast amount of material on local history which has been of inestimable value in the preparation of this work in both the historical and genealogical sections. He also prepared for publication a comprehensive genealogy of the John Taylor family in America, which he believed to be the original branch of the family in this country. This bears evidence of long and thorough research, includes some English records, and should be published for the benefit of the family as well as the public at large. In the Arms library at Shelburne Falls, is found much relative to Shelburne people, and in the rooms of the Pocumtuck Valley Memorial Association at Deerfield he had deposited many of his historical records.
- xv Richard B., b. Mar. 29, 1822; m. Rachel Brodhead; res. in Ellenville, N. Y. and Kansas.

8 Henry, s. of Samuel(2), b. June 25, 1780; sett. in Buck.; d. July 27, 1862. Was a major in the state militia, kept a store at the "Mill-yard." Much interested in his family history, he had collected much valuable data, which was placed at the disposal of W. O. Taylor for his work. He m. Dec. 5, 1803, his cousin, Eunice, dau. of Enos Taylor. She was b. Feb. 6, 1781; d. Dec. 9, 1855. Children:

- i Consider Arms, b. Jan. 12, 1805; m. Jan. 12, 1834, Sophronia Brackett; rem. successively to Ohio, Illinois and Kansas.



- ii Gustavus, b. Apr. 13, 1807; d. July 27, 1874, unm.
- iii Henry, b. Feb. 1, 1809; m. Apr. 17, 1834, Polly, dau. of Gardner and Thankful Wilder; she was b. Apr. 17, 1810. Rem. to Cleveland, O.
- iv Dau., b. and d. Oct. 10, 1810.
- v Eunice, b. Aug. 12, 1812; d. unm., Apr. 26, 1872.
- vi David Wilson, b. Dec. 10, 1813.
- vii Jonathan M., b. Dec. 15, 1815; m. Sept. 5, 1844, Mary Clark.
- viii Olive, b. Feb. 7, 1816; d. unm., May 6, 1898.
- ix Abiah S., b. Feb. 26, 1818; m. (1) in 1852, Asahel Pomeroy of Southampton; m. (2) June 5, 1867, Ferdinand Bartlett. She d. at Buck., Oct. 13, 1886.
- x Margaret Thompson, b. Nov. 4, 1819; m. Oct. 15, 1844, Milnor W. Taylor.
- xi Thomas Lawrence Longley, b. Nov. 8, 1821; d. July 9, 1906, being struck by a train at a R. R. crossing near Buck. station; unm.
- xii Asa Longley, b. Mar. 6, 1823.

9 Levi, s. of Lemuel(3), b. Apr. 14, 1780; d. Oct. 14, 1860; shoemaker and farmer; lived in Buckland many years and there m. Feb. 10, 1806, Betsey, dau. of James and Sarah (Joslyn) Butler. She was b. 1782; d. Jan. 1850. He finally rem. to Northfield, Ohio., where he d. Children:

- i Son, b. and d. Dec. 22, 1806.
- ii Betsey, b. Dec. 12, 1807; m. — Lee; sett. in Ohio.
- iii Levi, b. Aug. 5, 1809; sett. in Wisconsin; m. Apr. 15, 1835, Harriet Bronson, who was b. Oct. 4, 1813.
- iv Hooker, b. May 26, 1811; m. (1) June 21, 1834, Esther Cooley; m. (2) May 14, 1837, Clarissa, dau. of Josiah and Betsey (Elmer) Johnson.
- v Luzina, b. Oct. 31, 1813; m. Dec. 13, 1832, John Long of Shelburne.
- vi Cynthia, b. July 3, 1815; m. Sept. 6, 1866, Thomas Orcutt, Jr.
- vii Cyrus, b. Aug. 8, 1817; rem. to Ohio and thence to Kansas.
- viii Melvin, b. June 21, 1819; d. Oct. 23, 1819.
- ix Dorrick, b. Dec. 29, 1820; d. Aug. 1, 1822.

- x Marcus, b. Dec. 4, 1824; d. Northfield, O., Mar. 1, 1857, unm.

10 Lemuel, s. of Lemuel(3), b. Jan. 18, 1782; d. July 16, 1826; lived for a greater part of his life on his father's place; m. (1) Jan. 26, 1804, Lucy B. Briggs of Buck. She was b. Mar. 17, 1780; d. Oct. 28, 1819; m. (2) Mar. 30, 1820, Naomi, dau. of Stephen and Rachel Allis. She was b. Dec. 12, 1785; d. Sept. 28, 1825; m. (3) Apr. 13, 1826, Esther, dau. of Reuben and Esther (Sherwin) Bement of Ashfield. She was b. Sept. 12, 1793 and after the death of Lemuel Taylor was published at Gill, for marriage with Josiah Smith of Ashfield on Dec. 3, 1831. Children:

- i Lucy, b. May 18, 1806; d. May 4, 1823.
  - ii Rowena, b. Jan. 27, 1809; m. Nov. 10, 1839, Joseph Hubbard. She d. at Winchester, Ill.
  - iii Lemuel Fisk, b. Jan. 15, 1811; rem. to Hubbardston.
  - iv Celia, b. Oct. 23, 1812; m. Jan. 9, 1834, Roswell B. Taylor of Buckland.
- 18 v Stephen Allis, b. Apr. 1, 1821.
- vi George Munn, b. July 1, 1822; christened Rodolphus, but had his name changed. Resided in Worcester.
  - vii Allen Briggs, b. July 13, 1824; m. and resided at Templeton.

11 Erastus, s. of Lemuel(3), b. July 16, 1793; d. Apr. 30, 1882 in Leverett. Until about 1838 lived a short distance southwest of the Buckland station opposite Charlemont. After 1855 he lived at Colrain and Leverett. In early life he taught school, and in 1832 represented Buckland in the Legislature; m. May 8, 1816, Lucy, dau. of Capt. Benjamin Trow. She d. Oct. 27, 1878. Children:

- i Lucy, b. Feb. 14, 1817; m. Dec. 25, 1850, Amos Watson; lived No. Leverett.
- ii Emily W., b. Apr. 25, 1818; d. May 13, 1819.
- iii Emily M., b. Feb. 6, 1820; d. July 8, 1860, unm.
- iv Erastus Homer, twin, b. Mar. 22, 1822, a Civil War veteran and in 1882 was living in Washington, D. C.
- v Benjamin Homes, twin, b. Mar. 22, 1822; m. and lived in Amherst.
- vi Elvira P., b. July 31, 1825; m. Ira Watson.

- vii Lemuel O., b. Jan. 8, 1828; d. at Leverett, Sept. 11, 1884, unm.
- viii John W., b. Feb. 8, 1830; a lawyer; lived at Newark, N. J.
- ix William W., b. Sept. 18, 1833; went on a whaling voyage in 1855; was shipwrecked and last seen on the Sandwich Islands.
- x Edwin E., b. Mar. 15, 1838; resided No. Leverett.

12 Joseph, s. of Enos(4), b. Dec. 6, 1779; pub. Mar. 26, 1801, with Sarah, dau. of Joseph and Elizabeth (Childs) Potter, who d. Sept. 2, 1856. About 1811 they removed from Buckland to Sempronius, N. Y., and in the late 1830's to Fairfield, O., where he d. Jan. 1, 1848. Of their ten children there were born in Buckland probably. Children:

- i Levina, b. Nov. 15, 1801.
- ii Betsey, b. Feb. 22, 1805.
- iii Asa Childs, b. Nov. 1, 1806.
- iv Edmund Longley, b. Jan. 29, 1808.

13 Enos, s. of Enos(4), b. Aug. 3, 1784; d. July 24, 1863; m. May 26, 1814, Pamela, dau. of Robert and Elizabeth (Warner) Lazell, who d. Sept. 5, 1870, ae. 83 yrs. Children:

- i Noah Cook, b. Aug. 11, 1814; d. Aug. 24, 1838 in New York State, unm.
- ii Pamela, b. May 19, 1816; d. Sept. 11, 1820.
- iii Roxana Lazell, b. Sept. 11, 1817; m. May 23, 1842, Austin Pratt Ward of Buck.
- iv Julianna, b. Jan. 19, 1820; m. Sept. 2, 1839, William Hubbard. Rem. to Wisconsin.
- v Enos Longley, b. Aug. 29, 1823; left home when a young man, and was never heard from again.
- vi Josephus, b. 1825; d. Apr. 17, 1842.
- vii Rosamund, b. Apr. 24, 1830; m. May 25, 1854, Ralph E. Smith of Goshen.

14 David White, s. of Samuel(7), b. May 8, 1797; d. Mar. 4, 1873; m. Nov. 11, 1825, Louisa, dau. of Joseph and Rhoda (Williams) Ballard, b. in Buck., Sept. 2, 1804; d. Jan. 27, 1863. Children:

- 19 i Joseph Ballard, b. Sept. 28, 1826.



- ii Rhoda Williams, b. Oct. 27, 1831; d. Dec. 27, 1857, unm.
- 20 iii Horace Franklin, b. Dec. 26, 1833.
- iv Jane Amelia, b. Mar. 2, 1836; d. Apr. 6, 1856, unm.
- v Angeline Wilson, b. May 10, 1838; m. (1) George H. Graham of Buck.; m. (2) Mar. 23, 1886, Jeremiah Stockwell of Buckland.
- 21 vi George Bartlett, b. Jan. 23, 1842.
- 22 vii Samuel Baxter, b. Sept. 9 or 10, 1847.

15 Samuel, s. of Samuel(7), b. Jan. 24, 1800; m. abt. May 1824, Simira, dau. of Ezekiel and Lucy (Williams) Thompson. She was b. in Keene, N. H., Oct. 26, 1804. For a few years after marriage they resided with the father, Samuel Taylor, then moved to the west part of the town. About 1835 they went to Northfield, O., and from there to Waukegan, Ill. Children:

- i Samuel F., b. Nov. 29, 1825; d. Nov. 30, 1825.
  - ii Simira, b. Nov. 15, 1826; d. Jan. 15, 1834.
  - iii Angelia, b. Aug. 11, 1829; d. Apr. 24, 1831.
  - iv Lucy Angelia, b. Mar. 29, 1831; m. Lester D. Castle.
  - v James, b. Sept. 19, 1833.
- Three others b. in the west.

16 Rosell Butler, s. of Samuel(7), b. June 2, 1810; m. Jan. 9, 1834, Celia, dau. of Lemuel Taylor. Until 1859 he lived at Buck., being engaged in farming and teaming, then lived successively at Dalton, Adams and Peru, dying at the latter place, Jan. 13, 1891, and his wife on Jan. 12, 1886. Children:

- i Sylvester Maxwell, b. Nov. 10, 1834; sett. in Ellenville, N. Y.
- ii Lucy Briggs, b. Apr. 13, 1838; m. June 17, 1879, Murray E. Brown; lived at Peru.
- iii Abigail Minerva, b. Oct. 16, 1841; m. George Graves.
- iv James Butler, b. Oct. 24, 1848; resided Tyringham.
- v Lemuel Baxter, b. July 23, 1852; res. Berkshire County.

17 James, s. of Samuel(7), b. Dec. 2, 1814; removed in 1841, to Napierville, Ill.; m. Abigail, dau. of Rufus and Mary Phillips of Ashfield. Children:

- i Helen L., b. Mar. 3, 1839; twice m. and lived in Ill.

- ii James Webb, b. Dec. 6, 1840; m.; lived at Kentland, Ind.

Two other children b. in the west.

18 Stephen Allis, s. of Lemuel(10), b. Apr. 1, 1821; d. Mar. 12, 1884. He was a stone mason by trade; m. May 6, 1846, Esther C., dau. of N. H. and Phebe Upton of Charlemont, who d. Dec. 26, 1846, ae. 19 yrs.; m. (2) Oct. 30, 1849, Emily D., dau. of Emmons and Priscilla Pratt. She d. Nov. 26, 1851; m. (3) Apr. 20, 1852, Emeline, dau. of Joel and Timna (Gleason) Rugg of Heath. She was b. Sept. 9, 1823; d. Mar. 18, 1887. Children:

- i Arthur E., b. Aug. 6 or 26, 1851; d. Mar. 18, 1852.

19 Joseph Ballard, s. of David White(14), b. Sept. 28, 1826; d. Feb. 6, 1871; m. (1) Aug. 16, 1848, Sarah R., dau. of Enoch and Betsey Shaw, who d. July 23, 1855; m. (2) Aug. 20, 1856, Widow Jane, dau. of Rodolphus and Abigail Peeler. She was b. at Deerfield, Mar. 17, 1835; d. May 19, 1872. Children:

- i William, b. Feb. 11, 1854; d. Dec. 27, 1854.

- ii William F., b. Mar. 10, 1858; a teacher at West Warren.

20 Horace Franklin, s. of David White(14), b. Dec. 26, 1833; d. Jan. 6, 1917; m. Nov. 11, 1858, Mary E., dau. of Edwin and Eliza (Shaw) Williams, b. Ashfield, Jan. 31, 1839; d. Dec. 1, 1919. Lived on the farm formerly his father's, a little west of Buckland Center. Children:

- 23 i Frank W., b. Feb. 10, 1861.

- ii Eliza, b. Jan. 29, 1863; m. Sept. 17, 1883, Charles A. Wilder.

- iii Emma L., b. June 6, 1868; m. (1) Mar. 16, 1886, Horace B. Graham; m. (2) George Smith of Shelburne.

- iv Lulu B., b. May 8, 1870; m. Sept. 28, 1889, Luther L. Purinton.

- v Rose M., b. July 5, 1876; m. June 17, 1894, William T. Scott.

21 George Bartlett, s. of David White, (14), b. Jan. 23, 1842; d. Mar. 9, 1919; a carpenter; m. Sarah F., dau. of Edwin and Eliza (Shaw) Williams of Ashfield. She was b. in Hawley in 1842; d. Jan. 17, 1931, ae. 88 yrs. Children:

- i Ellsworth, b. Apr. 16, 1861; m. Nov. 29, 1884, Mrs. Nellie M. Rowley, dau. of Edward and Sena Thayer; res. Westfield.
- ii Cora Olivia, b. July 13, 1868; m. Feb. 26, 1890, Frederick L. Warfield.

22 Samuel Baxter, s. of David White(14), b. Sept. 10, 1847; d. Feb. 20, 1930. Kept a store and market; a man always actively interested in every forward movement for the community. He m. May 30, 1869, Lucy L., dau. of Samuel and Laura (Graham) Perkins, b. Apr. 2, 1847. Children:

- i Daughter, b. and d. Aug. 1, 1870.
- ii Ernest Burton, b. Aug. 12, 1872; d. Feb. 11, 1875.
- iii Emma Lillian, b. Oct. 19, 1876; m. Dec. 21 or 26, 1899, Ernest R. Scott.
- iv Florence Ernestine, b. Oct. 22, 1879; m. Sept. 4, 1901, Rev. Daniel M. Geddes of Mayfield, N. Y. He was b. 1872; d. in Buck., Sept. —, 1931.

23 Frank W., s. of Horace Franklin(20), b. Feb. 10, 1861; m. Oct. 17, 1882, Alice L., dau. of Austin S. and Sarah Wells. Children:

- i Percy Franklin, b. Aug. 20, 1883; m. (1) Dec. 24, 1902, Edna F., dau. of Henry and Ida (Scott) Wells of Shelburne; res. Ashfield.
- ii Mina Albertina, b. Aug. 26, 1886; m. May 13, 1908, Herbert E. Smith, who was b. in Meriden, Conn.; resident of Buckland.
- iii Merle Austin, b. Mar. 31, 1889.
- iv Vera May, b. Aug. 29, 1901; m. Sidney Sears of Goshen.

TAYLOR, Ruth, b. Mar. 28, 1806; d. in Minn., unm.

TAYLOR, William R., s. of Darius and Jane D. (Clothier), b. Ashfield; m. Jan. 1, 1886, Mary Verona, dau. of Charles A. and Harriet Wilder of Buckland.

TEMPLE, George, had a son, b. Feb. 29, 1872.

TEMPLE, James, was a voter in Buckland in 1806; m. Nov. 10, 1806, Almeda (or Alendo, given both ways) Sherwin of Buckland.

TEMPLE, Jonathan, had a daughter, b. Feb. 3, 1879.



TEMPLE, Palmer and Rhoda King, both of Buckland, were pub. Oct. 27, 1793.

TEMPLE, Polly, of Buckland, m. Clinton Phinney of Shelburne, 1814 or 1815.

TEMPLE, Stephen, was listed here in the Census of 1790, as having a family of three males under sixteen and one female. His name appears on the voting list of 1806. A Stephen Temple was published with Parnal Shaw, Dec. 22, 1798 and the same names are again published Feb. 8, 1802.

TEMPLE, STEPHEN Jr., m. June 18, 1812, Sophia, dau. of Alpheus Brooks, both being of Buckland (Church record).

TEMPLE, Walter, a cutler, b. in Easthampton; m. Angie —, and had at Buckland:

i Leon W., b. Dec. 21, 1896.

1 THAYER, Elijah, was of the fifth generation from Thomas<sup>1</sup> Thayer, who came from England to America in 1630, settling at Braintree. He was the fifth child of William and Hannah Thayer, and b. in Berkley; d. Oct. 21, 1810 in his 72nd yr.; sett. in Buck., 1790; served as selectman in 1794 and town treasurer in 1796. He m. in 1760, Lydia Cobb, who was b. Dec. 17, 1741; d. Sept. 9, 1837. Children:

i Elijah, b. and d. in 1761.

2 ii Elijah, b. Jan. 1763.

iii Azuba, b. Jan. 1765; m. Henry Woodward. (Thayer Gen.)

iv Rufus, b. Jan. 13, 1767; m. Pamela Throop of R. I., Feb. 18, 1795; sett. Londonderry, Vt.

v Lydia, b. 1769; m. (1) May 7, 1795, George Fuller of Buck.; m. (2) Benjamin Lee and rem. to Chautauqua Co., N. Y.

vi Abijah, b. Jan. 13, 1771.

3 vii William, b. Mar. 3, 1779.

viii Delia, b. Nov. 16, 1783; m. Sept. 16, 1805, Jacob Fuller; sett. Rutland, N. Y.

ix Laura, b. also Nov. 16, 1783; d. Mar. 9, 1866.

2 Elijah, s. of Elijah(1), b. Jan. 1763; d. July 11, 1820; m. Oct.

22, 1792, Mehitable Pratt. She was b. Oct. 7, 1770; d. Mar. 3, 1857. Children, so far as known:

- i Elijah, b. Nov. 13, 1793; d. 1824; graduated from Williams College, then went to So. Carolina, where for some years he was professor in an Academy. When last heard from he was practicing medicine.
- ii Sally, b. Sept. 25, 1801; m. Francis Paul, Oct. 14, 1835.
- iii Abigail, b. Oct. 5, 1804; d. Aug. 2, 1826.
- iv Otis, b. Nov. 15, 1806; d. Dec. 14, 1817.
- 4 v Abijah P., b. Apr. 5, 1809.
- vi Infant son, d. Aug. 29, 1814.
- vii Infant, b. and d. Aug. 27, 1817.

3 William, s. of Elijah(1), b. Mar. 3, 1779; d. Nov. 3, 1864. He m. Phebe Stacy of Taunton, Mass., int. published Feb. 20, 1806, or by Thayer Gen., 1805. She d. Oct. 6, 1849, ae. 70 yrs. He prob. m. (2) Philen —, who d. Mar. 12, 1871, ae. 94 yrs. Children:

- i Delia, b. May 7, 1806.
- ii Electa, b. Aug. 5, 1807; m. (1) Jan. 22, 1829, Stillman Chapin; rem. to Fowler, N. Y. He d. Apr. 30, 1832. She ret. to Buck. and m. (2) Nov. 19, 1834, Dixon M. Daniels, who d. Aug. 30, 1840. In 1843 she m. (3) Daniel Ware. He d. in 1857; she m. (4) Jan. 17, 1860, Abel Goodenough.
- iii Fanny, b. Jan. 31, 1809; m. Sumner Bement.
- iv Betsey, b. Nov. 18, 1810; d. Oct. 2, 1831.
- v William, b. Oct. —, 1812; d. Aug. 24, 1814.
- vi Achsa, b. Aug. 29, 1815; m. Linus E. Perry.
- vii William, b. July 2, 1817; m. June 20, 1843, Hepsibah Sears; lived for a time at Hawley; d. at Warren, O., Oct. 27, 1857; a son, William C., d. Apr. 22, 1857, ae. 2 yrs.
- viii Alvin, b. Apr. 29, 1819; m. Nov. 24, 1842, at Cumington, Maria Gilbert; sett. at Stony Creek, Conn.
- ix Marshall, b. Oct. 4, 1820; d. Nov. 1, 1831.
- x Emily, b. May 24, 1824; m. Dec. 13, 1842, Foster Sheldon; res. Shelburne.

4 Abijah P., s. of Elijah(2), b. Apr. 5, 1809; d. Oct. 28, 1891, at Lancaster whither he had gone the preceding spring. In younger

life he was well known as a school teacher. He m. Nov. 7, 1831, Rhoda B., dau. of Ephraim and Mary (Toby) Williams. She was b. Dec. 17, 1815; d. Nov. 3, 1890. Children:

- i Angelia, b. Sept. 18, 1832; m. Mar. 22, 1861, Seth T. Damon of Chesterfield.
- ii Mary Ann, b. May 12, 1834; m. Apr. 1, 1855, William H. Graham of Scotland; res. Mansfield.
- iii Lovina, b. Jan. 2, 1836; m. Dec. 3, 1857, Bruce Graham of Scotland. She d. Dec. 15, 1870 at Battle Creek, Mich.
- 5 iv Calvin Webster, b. Nov. 1, 1837.
- v Abigail, b. Sept. 15, 1839; m. Jan. 16, 1859, Andrew Graham; sett. Berlin, Conn.
- vi Rhoda, b. Sept. 14, 1841.
- vii Lucy Ann, b. July 24, 1843; d. June 9, 1849.
- viii Eliza, b. May 28, 1845.
- ix Son, b. and d. Sept. 15, 1846.
- x Milton Warren, b. May 4, 1848; d. Townshend, Vt. He m. Mar. 28, 1877, Sarah J., dau. of William Underwood of Conway and had: 1. Etta Blanch, b. Feb. 26, 1878. 2. Rosa Belle, b. July 7, 1880.
- xi Emma, b. Jan. 28, 1850; d. Mar. 1, 1866.
- xii Aurella, b. Apr. 2, 1852; m. Feb. 24, 1875, Lewis Bishop of Readsboro Falls, Vt.
- xiii Sarah Jane, b. Sept. 20, 1853.
- xiv Lucy Rose, b. Aug. 30, 1855; m. Mar. 15, 1876, Fayette F. Forbes.
- xv Lilla Amelia, b. Oct. 13, 1857; m. Mar. 20, 1888, Stanley E. Twing of Monterey.

In this family the first, third, fifth, seventh, ninth and eleventh children died during their father's lifetime.

5 Calvin Webster, s. of Abijah P.(4), b. Nov. 1, 1837; d. Aug. 4, 1910. He resided in Buck. for forty-two years, removing in 1899; was a stone mason by trade; m. Oct. 25, 1857, Sarah J., dau. of Christopher and Joana Grant of Roslindale, Wis. She was b. Mar. 25, 1834. Children:

- i Lavina K., b. Dec. 15, 1858; m. in 1876, Frank Irvin. Had: 1. Dau., b. Sept. 5, 1877. 2. Dau., b. July 15, 1879; res. Shel. Falls, Buckland side; d. Apr. 2, 1912.



- ii Warren B., b. Oct. 30, 1865; d. Sept. 10, 1869.
- iii Otis Calvin, b. Sept. 3, 1862; m. Dec. 31, 1881, Mattie C., dau. of Emory and Agnes Dodge.
- iv Myrtila G., b. Apr. 11, 1869; m. May 28, 1895, Harry R. Jones.
- v Curtis, b. Apr. 22, 1871; d. Jan. 26, 1872.

THAYER, Asa, the eighth child of Zachariah and Lydia Thayer, m. as his second wife, Mary Taylor of Buckland. He came to Buckland at the time of this marriage and res. there until his death, which took place while he was on his way to Plainfield to attend the funeral of a grand-child, Apr. 2, 1828. He was found by the side of the road, where he was supposed to have sat down to rest.

THAYER, Asahel, and sons, bought land of Samuel Taylor, Oct. 25, 1784.

THAYER, Jesse, "a Transient person" was pub. with Dinah Patrick of Buck., Nov. 2, 1795.

THAYER, Lucy, wife of C. P., d. Mar. 2, 1866, ae. 32.

THAYER, Dewane, d. Feb. 21, 1844, ae. 1 m., 22 days.

THAYER, Robert T., joined the Second Baptist church in 1843; dismissed to the church in Northampton, in 1848. His wife was named Harmoline. They had:

- i Infant dau., d. Jan. 28, 1848.
- ii Infant dau., who d. Feb. 2, 1848.

THAYER, Salvine, widow, b. Petersham, dau. of William and Lydia Pierce, d. at Buckland, Mar. 4, 1895, ae. 88 yrs.

THAYER, Samantha, m. Emalvin Wing, May 7, 1869.

1 THIERINGER, Gottlieb, s. of Gottlieb and Anna, b. Germany; d. Sept. 13, 1885, ae. 63 yrs.; m. Barbara, dau. of Louis Hauck, b. in Germany; d. Sept. 7, 1913, ae. 89 yrs. Children, b. in Germany:

- i Anna, b. Sept. 16, 1848; m. Louis March of Turners Falls.
  - ii Mary, m. Daniel Cramer; d. June 4, 1884, ae. 32 yrs.
  - iii Barbara, m. Sept. 7, 1878, William F. Amstein.
- 2 iv Jacob, b. Mar. 29, 1856.

2 Jacob, s. of Gottleib(1), came with his parents to America at the age of nine years; m. Feb. —, 18—, Clara E., dau. of John and Clara Zohn. She was b. in Buckland, Mar. 9, 1861. They reside on State St. Children:

- i Edward G., b. Oct. 31, 1880; m. Feb. 14, 1915, Elizabeth W., dau. of Edwin C. and Jane Luce, who d. Dec. 14, 1926, ae. 56 yrs. He resides on State Street; no children.

3 ii Jacob J., b. Apr. 30, 1882.

4 iii Wilfred, b. June 15, 1889.

3 Jacob J., s. of Jacob(2), b. Apr. 30, 1882; m. Sept. 15, 1906, Beatrice, dau. of William Needham. Resides William Street. Children:

- i Edward, b. Apr. 2, 1907; m.; res. New Britain, Conn.
- ii Stanley, b. Oct. 3, 1912; res. Buck.

4 Wilfred, s. of Jacob(2), b. June 15, 1889; m. Nov. 2, 1912, Lillian, dau. of John and Elizabeth (Herring) Wilde. Res. William Street. Had:

- i Ruth Dorothy, b. June 11, 1920.

THOMPSON, Abel, Roane and Julia, are said to be buried in the *old* cemetery, E. Buckland; no stones.

THOMPSON, John, s. of John P. and Elizabeth, b. in England; d. in Buckland, Oct. 23, 1893, ae. 69 yrs.; m. Mary ——. He had a brother, Charles, of Brockton; a sister, Mrs. Mary A. Wilby of Greenfield; and an adopted daughter, Nellie, who m. Sept. 12, 1877, William Atkinson of New Britain, Conn.

THOMPSON, Josephine S., dau. of John and Duette (Spencer), b. in Ohio; m. in Buck., Oct. 24, 1892, Charles N. Chase of Northampton; lived Buck.

THOMPSON, Peter, was on the 1806 list of voters; m. Apr. 7, 1811, Prudence, dau. of Elias Carter of Buckland; moved to Black River Co., N. Y.

THOMPSON, Samuel, b. in 1747; d. Sept. 27, 1822; was here in 1806. His wife, Eunice, d. Sept. 23, 1822, ae. 75 yrs. Their only known child was:

- i Josiah, who m. Oct. 4, 1802, Electa White of Buckland. She d. Aug. 25, 1822, ae. 43 yrs. He left a son Luther

W., who on Nov. 4, 1822, was a minor over fourteen yrs. old. Of this family the Greenfield Gazette and Courier states: "Died Aug. 25, 1822, Electa, wife of Josiah Thompson, ae. 43; & on the 23 of Sept. Mrs. Eunice Thompson, and on the 27th her husband Samuel Thompson each of them aged 75; and on the 25th Oct. Josiah Thompson, son of the two latter & husband to the former, ae. 43." Children :1. Almira, bapt. Oct. 9, 1808. 2. Josiah, bapt. Mar.—, 1811. 3. Josiah, bapt. July 12, 1812. 4. Samuel Collins, bapt. Dec. 14, 1814.

TILDEN, Ariel, was a voter here in 1822.

TINSDALE, Samuel, was in Buckland in 1790 with a family composed of one male under sixteen and three females.

TOBEY, Aurelia, of Buckland, m. "in Vermont State," Saben Dodge (Greenfield Gazette and Courier, paper of Nov. 13, 1832).

TOBEY, Isaac Dea., was a voter in 1806; d. June 5, 1845, ae. 96 yrs.; m. Deborah Williams, who d. Feb. 21, 1837, ae. 83 yrs. Children, so far as known:

- i Isaac, d. Feb. 10, 1799, ae. 19 yrs.
- ii Infant son, d. July 1797.
- iii Mary, m. Ephraim Williams; int. pub. Nov. 30, 1814.
- iv Ann (also called Nancy), b. Dec. 8, 1781; m. Jan. 1, 1802, Thomas Carter.

2 v John.

2 John, s. of Dea. Isaac(1), d. Sept. 9, 1859, ae. 74 yrs.; was a voter in 1822; filled offices of selectman, overseer of poor, Justice of Peace; m. Sybil Lathrop of Hawley, who d. Apr. 10, 1849, ae. 64 yrs.; m. (2) July 5, 1849, Eunice S., widow of William Forbes. Children:

- 3 i Isaac Lothrop, b. Oct. 2, 1816.
- ii Charles Hubbard, b. Apr. 11, 1819.
- iii Jasher William, b. Jan. 31, 1821.
- iv Samuel, b. Nov. 8, 1822; m. June 14, 1849, Isabella, dau. of James Anderson of Shelburne. He was a carpenter by trade; town clerk, and treasurer; assessor and member of the school committee.
- v John W., b. Aug. 3, 1828; was Mayor of Neenah, Wis.



3 Dr. Isaac L., of Cummington, m. Aug. 10, 1841, Lomina, dau. of Joseph Griswold. She was b. in Buck., July 30, 1813; d. there Mar. 22, 1870; he rem. from Buckland and d. in Shasta, Cal., Apr. 1874. Children:

- i Sybil Adelia, b. in Buck., Oct. 2, 1842; was a teacher; d. Feb. 12, 1922, unm.
- ii Edwin L., b. Oct. 18, 1844; was a Civil War veteran.

1 TOBEY, Joshua, d. Mar. 25, 1821, ae. 32 yrs.

TOBEY, Noah, was here in 1790, with a family of one male over sixteen, two under and seven females. They lived in a house long since gone, next to William Putnam's.

TODD, Mary M., d. May 23, 1853, ae. 4 mos.

TODD, Ella L., d. June 30, 1854, ae. 2 yrs.

1 TOLMAN, Stephen, d. Oct. 7, 1888. Children:

- i Ella R., m. — Wadleigh of Waltham.
- ii Laura M., m. — Wadleigh; lived Greenfield.
- 2 iii Lorenzo F., lived Athol.
- iv Henry, lived Buck.
- v Andrew G., lived Plattsburgh, N. Y.

The above were residences of the children in 1888.

2 Lorenzo F., s. of Stephen(1), m. Sybil C. —. Had at Buck.:

- i Son, b. Oct. 12, 1867.

TOLMAN, Orville, resided Buckland, but d. in Holyoke; m. Louisa Bower, b. England; she d. in Orange. Children:

- i John, d. y.
- ii Charles, m.; d. in Holyoke.
- iii Edwin, m.; res. Alhambra, Cal.
- iv Lincoln, m.; res. Boston.
- v Albert, m.; res. in Florida.
- vi Ella, b. Jan. 21, 1871; m. Mar. 4, 1889, Charles W. Shaw of Buckland.

TOWER, Earl G., was resident of Buckland in 1900.

TOWER, Gilbert Judson, b. Savoy; came here about 1878; probably m. Laura E., dau. of Walcott D. and Jane White of Savoy. She d. May 5, 1907, ae. 50 yrs. Children:

- i Guy Clinton, b. at Savoy; m. Jan. 14, 1901, Annie M., dau. of Daniel and Martha Jeffers of Conway.
- ii Flora J., b. at Savoy; m. June 25, 1898, Eugene D. Griswold of Buckland.
- iii Carl G., b. Nov. 14, 1879; m. Dec. 25, 1912, Florence H., dau. of George and Theresa (Barnes) Underwood of Charlemont. Resides Colrain Road, Shelburne Falls.
- iv Roy J., b. June 24, 1883; m. Apr. 12, 1913, Ada H., dau. of Lucius and Hortense Hunt of Hawley. They had son, b. Dec. 2, 1915.
- v Maud E., b. Mar. 8, 1885; m. Oct. 5, 1909, Frank S. Wood of Shelburne.
- vi Orie Leo, b. Dec. 21, 1888; m. Marion Willis of Ashfield.
- vii Nema, b. Aug. 5, 1891; m. Dr. Harry Watkins of Louisville, Ky.

TOWER, George O., was living here in 1900; unm.; came from Savoy; a brother of Gilbert Judson.

TOWER, Jacob, was living here in 1900.

TOWN, Edmund, lived here in 1790 with his family, two males under sixteen and three females.

TOWNSEND, William, was living here in 1900, s. of William and Tryphena, b. in Woodford, Vt.; d. in Buckland, Feb. 9 or 10, 1914, ae. 74 yrs.; m. Ethel L.—. His sister, Lydia V. Stowe, d. in Buckland, Jan. 1, 1923, ae. 88 yrs.

1 TOWNSLEY, Dan (Abner<sup>2</sup>, Micah<sup>1</sup> of Dorchester), b. 1763; d. Jan. 28, 1852; a Rev. pensioner, said to have come to Buckland from Sangersfield, N. Y. He m. in 1790, Rachel Ball or Bass, who d. Feb. 11, 1851, ae. 84 yrs. The married life of this couple covered very nearly 61 years. Children:

- i Nuel, b. 1791; d. young.
- ii Persis, b. 1792; m. 1822, William Bassett of Buck.
- 2 iii Dan, Jr., b. 1795.
- 3 iv Nuel, b. 1796.
- 4 v Abner, b. 1798.
- vi Bathsheba, b. 1800; d. 1802.
- 5 vii Enoch, b. 1802.

- viii Bathsheba, b. Nov. 9, 1803; d. 1837; m. Mar. 3, 1831, Jonathan Ward.
  - ix Sally, b. 1805; d. Sept. 29, 1849; unm.
  - x Gad., b. 1808; d. July 1854; m. Charlotte C. Davis; res. Albany. Had two sons, births recorded in Shelburne. Children: 1. William L. 2. Francis E. 3. Franklin G.
  - xi Rachel, b. 1812; resided Buckland; d. Nov. 14, 1869.
- 2 Dan, Jr., s. of Dan(1), b. 1795; d. Oct. 16, 1831; m. Elizabeth C., dau. of Ephraim and Mary Williams of Buckland. Children:
- i Eliza.
  - ii George.
  - iii Willard.
  - iv Charles S., a Civil War veteran.
- 3 Nuel, s. of Dan(1), b. 1796 in Buckland; d. Jan. 16, 1871; m. Oct. 9, 1820, Submit, dau. of William and Submit Putnam of Buckland. She d. Mar. 4, 1883. Children:
- i Dau., twin, b. 1821.
  - ii Son, twin, b. and d. 1821.
- 6 iii Dan Colton, b. 1824.
- iv Eliza S., b. 1826; d. May 4, 1840.
- 7 v William Putnam, b. 1828.
- vi George Nuel, b. 1830; d. Feb. 11, 1852.
  - vii Infant dau., b. and d. 1832.
  - viii Henry Davis, b. 1836; a Civil War veteran; d. July 6, 1884; m. May 12, 1864, Mary Elmer of Ashfield. She m. (2) May 24, 1888, George L. Pierce of Colrain.
  - ix Jane A., b. 1838; d. Sept. 3, 1839.
- 4 Abner, s. of Dan(1), b. 1798 in Buck.; m. in 1835, Harriet Childs. He lived at one time in Sangersfield, N. Y. Children:
- i Sarah Seabury, b. 1835.
  - ii Harriet, b. 1839; d. Nov. 11, 1910; unm.
  - iii Eliza, b. 1842; m. Oct. 19, 1872, Josiah W. Griswold.
  - iv Charles Morris, b. 1844.
- 5 Enoch, s. of Dan(1), b. 1802; d. 1875. He m. Rosamond Warner. Children:
- i Frutilla, m. — Aiken; res. Philadelphia, Pa.



- ii Maria T., m. Gaffrey; res. Dakota; d. Mar. 18, 18—.
- iii Adelaide E., m. Charles Clark; res. Montezuma, Ia.

6 Dan Colton, s. of Nuel(3), b. in Buckland in 1824; d. Dec. 25, 1902. He had a cobbler's shop in the small red building at the fork of the road just north of Buckland center; was a man who always took an active part in town affairs, altho not as an office holder. He m. June 1, 1848, Eliza Williams. She d. Mar. 4, 1881, ae 58 yrs. Children:

- 8 i George Nuel, b. June 1, 1852 (G. R., 1853).
- ii Eliza.
- iii Edgar.
- iv Mary Submit, d. Jan. 30, 1860, ae. 5 yrs.
- v Frank D., d. Feb. 14, 1860, ae. 3 yrs.
- vi Hattie, twin, b. Sept. 7, 1862; m. Nov. 2, 1887, Lewis L. Davenport.
- vii Harley, twin, b. Sept. 7, 1862.

7 William Putnam, s. of Nuel(3), b. 1828; d. June 10, 1871; m. Olive A., dau. of Lyman and Almira E. (Hook) Wood, who d. Apr. 10, 1901, ae. 72 yrs. Children:

- i Lena L., b. June 14, 1858; m. June 25, 1884, Dr. Samuel D. Merriam of North Adams. She d. 1934.
- ii Jennie E., b. Apr. 9, 1861; m. Henry Patch of Shelburne Falls, where they reside.

8 George Nuel, s. of Dan C.(6), b. June 1, 1852 (G. R., 1853); d. Nov. 10, 1917; m. Clara R., dau. of Hammond and Rhoda (Weed) Merritt. She was b. in Hartland, Vt.; d. Feb. 26, 1914. Children:

- i Frederick R., b. Mar. 24, 1879; m. Aug. 23, 1906, Alta E., dau. of Edwin and Ella (Smith) Williams of Ashfield; resides Apple Valley, Ashfield.
- ii Lora Eliza, b. Feb. 24, 1881; m. Feb. 21, 1900, Charles William Stroheker of Buck.
- iii Anna P., b. July 23/31, 1886; m. July 31, 1907, Luther D. Dunnell of Buckland, where they live.
- iv Willis M., m.; res. Greenfield.
- v Dean Henry, b. Nov. 23, 1894; res. Springfield.

TRECHLINGER, Elias, d. July 13, 1886; m. Mary —. Children:

- i Jacob.
- ii Anna Catherine, m. — Oefinger of Breslaw, N. Y.

TROW, Benjamin, b. Apr. 18, 1763; was of Oxford; had title "Capt." on headstone; m. about 1789, Rachel, dau. of Josiah Pratt of Foxboro, and settled in Buck., where he d. Sept. 6, 1802, from injuries caused by a log rolling on him. He was a son of Israel and Mary (Clapp) Trow, and grandson of Benjamin. His widow Rachel m. (2) Feb. 23, 1815, Lt. Stephen Allis of Buckland; she d. Nov. 9, 1857, ae. 90 yrs. Children:

- i Salem.
- ii Alfred, who m. Sept. 11, 1816, Relief, dau. of Elias Carter at which time he was recorded as of Chautauqua, N. Y. In 1868 he was living in Pennsylvania.
- iii Lucy, m. May 8, 1816, Erastus Taylor of Leverett and d. Oct. 27, 1878.
- iv Betsey, m. (1) — Thayer; m. (2) Nov. 22, 1849, Nathaniel Dodge, his second wife.
- v Daughter, who m. Apollos Brackett of Buckland, according to will of her father.

TROW, Josiah, Dr., s. of Nathaniel and Elizabeth Gilman, grandson of Josiah and Elizabeth Meeker, b. in Wendell, N. H., July 15, 1816; grad. from Berkshire Medical College in 1840; settled in Sunderland about 1845, remaining eight years and then exchanged his practice in Sunderland for that of his brother Nathaniel of Buckland and ever after lived in Buck., where he d. Feb. 15, 1890. He served the town in many ways; was a member of the school committee and president of the Deerfield Valley Agricultural Society. M. (1) June 21, 1842, Caroline A., dau. of Alpheus Brooks; she d. Feb. 18, 1879, ae. 63 yrs.; m. (2) Mrs. Ellen J. Dodge of Hawley. She d. Nov. 24, 1923. Children:

- i Son, b. in Sunderland, May 26, 1843; d. June 1, 1843.
- ii Lucy E., b. in Sunderland, Oct. 25, 1845; m. Nelson Joy of Shelburne.
- 2 iii Francis W., b. Jan. 22, 1847.

2 Francis William, s. of Dr. Josiah(1), b. in Sunderland, Jan. 22, 1847; d. Dec. 13, 1905; a citizen valued for his civic spirit

and helpfulness; m. Oct. 28, 1878, Ella M., dau. of Deacon Henry L. Warfield. She was b. Oct. 28, 1860; d. Sept. 27, 1904; m. (2) Oct. 2, 1905, Ida Sarah, dau. of Asahel B. Hawks and widow of — Leavitt of Charlemont. She d. Apr. 28, 1926. Had:

3 i Charles Warfield, b. Oct. 18, 1879.

3 Charles Warfield, s. of Francis W. (2), b. Oct. 18, 1879; resides Buckland Center; has served on the school committee; m. Sept. 1, 1904, Edith L., dau. of Asahel and Mary F. Hawks. Children:

- i Henry Hawks, b. Sept. 10, 1907.
- ii Ella May, b. Aug. 15, 1909.
- iii Francis G., b. July 5, 1910.
- iv William G., b. Feb. 4, 1912.
- v Charles Marshall, b. June 10, 1913.
- vi Edith May, b. Dec. 7, 1915.

Trow, Nathaniel Gilman, s. of Nathaniel and brother of Josiah above, b. in Wendell, N. H., July 25, 1811; grad. from Berkshire Medical College at Pittsfield, Mass., 1837, and in the fall of that year settled in Buck., where he practiced for about fourteen years, then exchanged practices with his brother, Dr. Josiah Trow, and removed to Sunderland, where he d. Feb. 4, 1888. He m. Apr. 9, 1839, Catherine, dau. of Alpheus Brooks of Buck. She d. Oct. 27, 1874. Children, b. in Buck.:

- i Daughter, b. June 7, d. June 8, 1843.
- ii Son, b. and d. Oct. 26, 1845.
- iii Cornelius Gillman, b. Mar. 1, 1847; m. June 5, 1872, Genevra A., dau. of S. A. Shaw of Springfield. Became a physician in Sunderland.
- iv Son, b. and d. Oct. 1, 1848.
- v Son, b. and d. Nov. 14, 1850.
- vi Mary Elizabeth, b. Aug. 30, 1855; d. Nov. 27, 1863.

Trow, William M., Dr., s. of Nathaniel and Elizabeth Gilman and brother of Drs. Josiah and Nathaniel, b. in Windsor; d. Sept. 13, 1914, ae. 87 yrs. in Buck.

Trow, Polly, m. in Buckland, Jan. 15, 1818, William Bassett of Hawley.

Trow, Nathaniel, d. at Windsor, Dec. 4, 1846, ae. 71; buried in Buck.



TROW, Elizabeth G., d. at Sunderland, Dec. 29, 1853, ae. 75; buried in Buck.

1 TROWBRIDGE, Daniel, s. of Seth and Mary (Hoyt), of Scotch ancestry on his paternal side, b. in New Fairfield, Conn., July 1, 1757; lived at the "Turnip Yard," Deerfield, in 1779; removed to Buckland about 1789, and there d. Mar. 11, 1814; m. Jan. 16, 1777, Mary, dau. of Rev. James Taylor, who d. Aug. 20 or 21, 1825, ae. 67 yrs. Children, order unknown:

- 2 i Rufus, b. Mar. 29, 1778.
- ii James, b. 1780; d. Nov. 27, 1787.
- iii Polly, m. Jan. 5, 1805, David Pitcher of Martinsburg, N. Y.
- iv Betsey, b. Jan. 8, 1786; m. Joseph Torrey of Southampton, pub. Oct. 6, 1807; d. in Cleveland, O.
- v Electa, d. Mar. 21, 1788, ae. 2 yrs.
- vi Tirzah, m. Feb. 12, 1800, Joel Clapp of Southampton.
- vii James Taylor, b. Mar. 4, 1789; m. May 17, 1810, Hannah, dau. of John Taylor; sett. Phelps, N. Y., later in Ravena, O.
- viii Samuel Edwards, b. Feb. 12, 1792; thrice mar. and rem. to Phelps, N. Y.
- ix Daniel, b. Feb. 17, 1796; m. Dec. 18, 1821, Sally Blakely of Phelps.
- 3 x Silas F., b. Mar. 14, 1798.
- xi Dorothy, m. (1) Lewis Covell; m. (2) in 1836, Alvin Nash of Goshen.

2 Rufus, s. of Daniel(1), b. Mar. 29, 1778; d. Sept. 13, 1865; served the town as selectman, collector of taxes, and Justice of the Peace; m. (1) Hannah Clapp of Southampton; (2) Mar. 13, 1804, Deborah Pomeroy of Southampton; she d. Sept. 22, 1876, ae. 90 yrs. Had:

- i Rufus, d. May 6, 1848, ae. 21 yrs.

3 Silas F., s. of Daniel(1), b. Mar. 14, 1798; d. Nov. 3, 1888. He was a cooper by trade. For seventy-two years he was a member of the Congregational church and officiated as deacon for over twenty, during which time he had failed to be present at the communion service but once. He m. Apr. 6 or 25, 1821, Electa,

dau. of Enos and Lucy Pomeroy of Hadley and Buckland. She was b. Feb. 8, 1801; d. Jan. 22, 1872. Children:

- i Luther Pomeroy, b. Apr. 6, 1822; rem. in 1855 to Ill., later to Iowa; returned to Buck. in Sept. 1895, and d. Jan. 29, 1897; m. Mar. 12, 1868, Rhoda C., dau. of Marcus Purrington, Sr. of Buckland. She was b. 1840; d. 1875; one son, Marcus Silas, b. 1870; d. 1888; buried in Holt, Ia.
- ii James, b. May 16, 1824; m. Jan. 15, 1850, Olive A. Wilder of Shelburne.
- iii Rufus, b. July 14, 1826; d. May 7, 1848, in Boston.
- iv Mary Taylor, b. Sept. 24, 1828; m. Aug. 12, 1849, James Palmer of Meriden, Kan.
- v Lucy Smith, b. Jan. 16, 1830; m. Jan. 28, 1882, Col. Roger H. Leavett, formerly of Charlemont. Res. Buck.; d. Dec. 2, 1914.
- vi John, b. Jan. 1, 1833; d. in the army, Mar. 12, 1862.
- vii Electa Pomeroy, b. Dec. 3, 1835; m. June 6, 1867, Eber Stratton. She now resides at Shelburne Falls, aged 101 years and six months.

TRUESDALE, Samuel, was a voter here in 1806 and also in 1822. He was pub. for marriage with Widow Molly Field of Conway, Sept. 19, 1799.

TRUESDALE, Lemuel, name on the voting lists of 1806 and 1822; pub. with Clarissa Wilder of Conway, Oct. 22, 1797.

TRUESDALE, Wilder, was a voter here in 1822.

TRYON, Josiah. His will, made Mar. 27, 1809, was probated Jan. 2, 1811; in it he mentions his widow, Josiah, Jr., and Timothy, the two latter presumably sons, relationship not stated.

Widow Abigail Tryon was pub. with Lebbeus Rude of Ashfield, Apr. 13, 1815.

TRYON, Lemuel, Capt., living on "Tryon Hill" where Benjamin Keach later lived; was the first Justice of the Peace; s. of William of Sunderland and Deerfield, b. July 9, 1792.

TRYON, Timothy, prob. s. of Josiah, was on the voting list of 1806 and is known to have had:

- i Eunice, b. abt. 1797; m. Oct. 13, 1818, Ira Billings of So. Deerfield; d. Apr. 23, 1864.

1 TURTON, Walter, s. of Joseph and Ann (Benbreton), b. Sheffield, Eng., in 1833; d. in Buckland, Nov. 23, 1910; m. (1) Anne Rickards (Greenfield T. Rec.); m. (2) Mrs. Mary Ann Shaw, dau. of Daniel and Ann (Heathcote) Wilkins. She was b. in Sheffield, Eng.; d. in Buckland, Apr. 20, 1899; m. (3) Dec. 27, 1899, Hannah, dau. of Godfrey and Charlotte (Handsworth) Hardy, and widow of William Rotherham. She was a native of Mansfield, Eng. She m. (3) Jan. 13, 1916, Riley Watson of Wilder, Vt., and d. June 5, 1917. Children:

- i Agnes Ann, b. Dec. 6, 1857 in Sheffield, Eng.; m. in Buck., May 12, 1880, Charles Hill; d. Hartford, Conn.
- 2 ii Thomas E., b. at sea on the S. S. Edinburgh, Nov. 24, 1859. His birth record is entered at Greenfield, Mass.
- iii William Henry, b. at Greenfield, Sept. 24, 1861; d. Sept. 27, 1873.
- 3 iv Joseph Walter, b. Greenfield, Nov. 23, 1863.

2 Thomas E., s. of Walter(1), b. at sea on the S. S. Edinburgh, Nov. 24, 1859; m. Nov. 25, 1885, Christeina A., dau. of Casper and Christeina Zeiner. Res. Ashfield Street, Buck. Children:

- i George E., b. Sept. 16, 1886; m.; res. Quincey.
- ii Rose Alice, b. Jan. 3, 1888; d. Oct. 24, 1920; unm.

3 Joseph Walter, s. of Walter(1), b. in Greenfield, Nov. 23, 1863; m. Dec. 31, 1890, Eliza, dau. of Frederick S. and Eliza Hallam. Res. Ashfield Street. Had:

- i Hallam Walter, b. Feb. 19, 1892; m.; res. Bellows Falls, Vt.

1 TURTON, William, s. of Joseph and oldest brother of Walter above, b. in England; d. Sept. 28, 1893, ae. 67 yrs. He m. (1) Sarah Goddard; (2) Feb. 27, 1865, Anna Hunter. Children:

- i Alfred H., b. England; d. Greenfield, Mar. 9, 1862, ae. 15 yrs.
- ii Samuel, b. in England; d. Dec. 11, 1881, ae. 28 yrs.
- 2 iii Walter, 2nd, b. Greenfield, Aug. 24, 1856.
- iv William, Jr., b. Aug. 15, 1858 in Greenfield; d. Naugatuck, Conn.
- v Emily, b. Sept. 1, 1860 in Greenfield; d. unm.



- vi Elizabeth A., b. Apr. 5, 1862; m. Thomas Timbrell;  
res. New Britain, Conn.  
By second wife:
- vii Florence, b. Sept. 2, 1867; d. Jan. 15, 1868.
- viii Harry, b. 1869; d. July 28, 1884.
- ix Minnie, b. Apr. 1872; d. Aug. 3, 1872.
- x Frederick, b. Jan. 7, 1873; d. in New Britain, Conn.;  
unm.
- xi Charles, b. May 17, 1875; d. June 2, 1875.
- xii Sarah Ann, b. Aug. 20, 1877; d. Sept. 26, 1877.
- xiii Frank, b. Jan. 3, 1883; res. Meriden, Conn.; m.
- xiv Edward, twin, b. Dec. 29, 1884; d. Feb. 2, 1885.
- xv Arthur, twin, b. Dec. 29, 1884; d. Jan. 3, 1885.  
Said to have had 22 children in all; some d. very young.

2 Walter, 2nd, s. of William(1) and Sarah (Goddard), b. in Greenfield, Aug. 24, 1856; d. May 16, 1905; m. June 27, 1881, Emma J., dau. of John and Caroline Stephans. She res. Ashfield Street. Had:

- i Roy S., b. June 9, 1886; m. June 9, 1909, Mabelle B.,  
dau. of Arthur and Amelia (Dawson) Call of Buck.;  
res. Ashfield St.; s. p.

Twiss, Arthur V., was a voter here in 1900; m. Apr. 30, 1900, Carrie, dau. of Christian March.

TYLER, Anna, was bapt. and received into the Baptist Ch., June 15, 1789.

TYLER, Lydia, of Buckland, was pub. with James Stebbins, Apr. 5, 1794.

TYLER, Moses, was a land owner here in 1793.

TYLER, Nathan, was here in 1790 with a family of three males under sixteen and five females.

TYLER, Stephen (Elijah<sup>1</sup>, Robert<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Job<sup>1</sup>), b. in Upton, June 9, 1754; d. in Wilmington, Vt., Apr. 27, 1833. He was a Rev. Sol., marched on the Lexington Alarm; was in Buck. as early as 1789; rem. to Wilmington, Vt., in 1800; m. (1) Aug. 12, 1788, Anna Stevens, who d. June 2, 1799; m. (2) Jan. 21, 1801, Sarah, dau. of Gideon and Sarah Alvord. She was b. in So. Hadley, Mar. 14, 1767; d. Mar. 13, 1817. Children:

- i Benjamin Owen, b. Sept. 24, 1789; m. and had two sons.
- ii Ephraim, b. Apr. 19, 1791; m. Mary Bissell; had son James M., who lived in Brattleboro, Vt., Ephraim Tyler moved to Guilford, Vt. in 1840 and d. Aug. 1878.
- iii Eli, b. May 20, 1793; d. in Newfane, Vt.
- iv Betsey, b. May 20, 1795; d. Dec. 10, 1803 in Wilington, Vt.  
(There were five other children b. in Westhampton, Mass., and Wilmington, Vt.)

UNDERWOOD, Rosa A., m. James H. Roberts of Colrain. He d. in Buck., July 21, 1926, ae. 73 yrs., 11 mos.

UNDERWOOD, James H., s. of Moses and Diana (Harris), b. Heath; d. in Buck., Dec. 24, 1918, ae. 74 yrs.; m. Mary S., dau. of Jason King. She was b. in Conway; d. Apr. 28, 1920, ae. 77 yrs.

UNDERWOOD, Lysander, was on the voting list of 1900.

UPTON, Elias, 2nd, s. of Nehemiah A. and Phebe of Buck.; m. May 6, 1845, Diana, dau. of Levi and Polly Dickinson of Florida, Mass.

UPTON, Joseph F., s. of J. and T., a widower, ae. 43; m. Nov. 27, 1845, Dorinda, dau. of D. and L. Fisk of Shelburne.

UPTON, Lucy B., of Buck., m. Nov. 24, 1859, E. Williams of Buckland.

UPTON, Lulia E., dau. of Edwin of Buck., b. Oct. 4, 1869.

UPTON, Lydia Arabella, only dau. of Austin M. and Phebe, d. June 8, 1849, ae. 6 mos.

UPTON, Maria, was a member of the Baptist society in 1830.

VALITON, Paul Henry, a native of France, b. 1876; d. in Buck., June 19, 1927, ae. 51 yrs.; m. Aug. 17, 1904, Caroline E., dau. of Wesley F., and Rachel Ruddock. She was b. Mar. 5, 1883; resides in Buck. Children:

- i Celeste R., m. Chester Steiner of Greenfield; lives Greenfield.
- ii Ruth M., m. — Cunningham; res. Stoneham.
- iii Theodore.

- iv Gordon E.
- v Carl A.
- vi Raymond S.
- vii Edwin T., d. 1934.
- viii Florence.
- ix Harry E.
- x Wallace H.
- xi Earl L.

VAN VALKENBURG, John M., s. of John and Melinda (Metcalf), b. in Kinderhook, N. Y.; d. Sept. 19, 1912, ae. 83 yrs. His name was on the voting list of 1900; m. Minerva, dau. of John Steele of Shelburne; int. filed June 23, 1849, at which time he was recorded as of Colrain. She d. Mar. 18, 1904, ae. 72 yrs. Children:

- i John C., res. Charlemont.
- ii Frances Ada, m. Mar. 3, 1880, Walter R. Elmer; res. Greenfield where she d.
- iii William B., res. Poultney, Vt.
- iv Rosa May, b. May 24, 1872; m. — Osburne; res. Litchfield, Conn.

VEBER or VIBBER. Abner was listed in the 1790 census as having one female in his family who was probably his wife, Esther (Fuller). He was here as late as 1806 when his name appears on the voting list. On Apr. 9, 1833, George Veber and his wife Sophronia, of Charlemont, assumed the support of Abner and Esther Veber in return for certain considerations. This leads to the supposition that the relationship may have been that of parents and son. Only child definitely known:

- i Johanna, b. Aug. 19, 1796; d. Jan. 14, 1877; m. Jan. 18, 1816, Eliphaz Woodward.

VEBER, David, a voter in 1806, was published with Comfort Thompson of Buck., Jan. 10, 1794.

VEBER, Elihu, a voter in 1806; m. Nov. 10, 1797, Mercy Phillips.

VEBER, John, name on voting lists of 1806 and 1822. His will dated Sept. 13, 1782 at Shelburne, gives to his wife, his place with all his land in Buck.; mentions son John, dau. Anna and refers to four grandchildren in Connecticut. The name of his son John, Jr., also appears on the voter's lists of 1806 and 1822. By the church record, Mr. J. Veber d. in 1831.



VEBER, John, int. with Azubah Woodward pub. Dec. 22, 1806.

VEBER, Sophronia, widow of George and dau. of Ariel and Submit (Phillips) Ware, b. Jan. 1, 1809; d. May 26, 1905. Children:

- i D. Allen, unm.
- ii Rowena, m. John Wheeler of Buck.

VEBER, William, m. June 2, 1814, Lydia Sprague.

It was said by older residents that John, Dexter, Margaret, "Grammer" and Emily Vibber were all buried in the old cemetery at East Buckland and no stones ever placed at the graves. Also that John Vibber was father of Allen who never married.

VINCENT, Jonathan, formerly of Buckland, d. Nov. 24, 1886, at Mendota, Ill., ae. 67 yrs.; m. Fannie P., dau. of Elijah Phillips; had a daughter, b. Aug. 20, 1844.

VINCENT, Isaiah (also given Josiah), b. Sept. 4, 1872, ae. 49 yrs.; m. Mar. 24, 1847 at Hawley, Mary A., dau. of Elmer and Mary (Brackett) Frost. She d. Feb. 16, 1892, ae. 67 yrs. Had:

- i Charles Elmer, b. Dec. 1862; d. Jan. 25, 1866.
- ii Ella M., res. Buck.

WADE, Amos, was living here in 1806 when he was a voter; d. Mar. 11, 1808; Rev. sol.

WADE, Caleb, a voter here in 1806; pub. with Hannah Rider of Yarmouth, Sept. 21, 1805.

WADE, David, of Buck., m. Oct. 4, 1815, Elizabeth Davis.

WADE, Ebenezer, m. Mar. 19, 1807, Hannah Flower of Buck. In Dec. 1807, Major Griswold charges him for a coffin.

WALKER, Harry, s. of John and Emma, b. in England; m. in Buck., Dec. 28, 1886, Hannah E., dau. of Jonathan and Mary Ann Hall.

WALKER, S. R., had a son, b. Feb. 19, 1868.

1 WALKER, Thomas, s. of John and Harriet (Tingle), b. England; d. Jan. 11, 1908, ae. 76 yrs.; m. (1) Mary Rogers; (2) Theresa, dau. of William and Margaret (Hancock) Watson. She was b. in Sheffield, Eng.; d. Feb. 2, 1901, ae. 69 yrs. Children:

- 2 i Samuel Hancock, b. in England.

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- 3    ii William Henry, b. in England.  
     iii Thomas, Jr., res. Bridgeport, Conn.  
     iv Frances, b. England; m. June 3, 1891, William J. Bray of Northampton.  
     v Theresa A., b. in England; m. Sept. 7, 1892, George William Baker; res. Buck.  
     vi Mary Louise, b. June 21, 1875; res. Amherst; unm.  
     vii Arthur John, res. Sheffield, Eng.  
     viii Harriet, d. May 5, 1889, ae. 25 yrs.  
     ix Margaret E., b. Nov. 23, 1870; d. Feb. 22, 1871.
- 2 Samuel Hancock, s. of Thomas(1), b. in England; served as a member of the school committee; was a M. E. minister, in Buck. and Colrain. He d. at the latter place; m. June 3, 1891, Bessie, dau. of George and Elizabeth Pratt. She was b. in England. Children:
- i Alfred, b. May 27, 1893; res. Millbury.  
     ii Elliot Pratt, b. Nov. 23, 1895; m. Nov. 25, 1915, Vera C., dau. of Thomas and Florence (Herring) Haley of Buck.; res. Mitteneague, West Springfield.  
     iii Ruth Bessie, b. Dec. 25, 1899, unm.
- 3 William Henry, s. of Thomas(1), b. in England; d. in Buck., July 15, 1917, ae. 61 yrs.; m. Oct. 3, 1877, Sarah E., dau. of William and Mary A. Smith. She was b. in England. Children:
- i Arthur David, b. in Bridgeport, Conn.; d. Nov. 27, 1890, ae. 12 yrs.  
     ii Lillian M., b. 1879 or 1880; m. June 13, 1899, Harry Goodwin of Williamsburg.
- 4    iii William Henry, Jr., b. Dec. 10, 1881.  
     iv Isabel Blanche, b. Dec. 19, 1883; m. May 12, 1903, Fred Wilde.  
     v Nellie T., b. Mar. 6, 1886; m. Dec. 24, 1904, Albert Mills.
- 5    vi Thomas, b. Feb. 5, 1888.  
     vii Daughter, b. Apr. 24, d. Apr. 25, 1891.
- 6    viii Harold Bateman, b. Dec. 10, 1896.
- 4 William Henry, Jr., s. of William Henry(3), b. Dec. 10, 1881, in Buck.; m. Barbara, dau. of Christian and Annie Schmidt of Turners Falls. Children:

- i Helen E., b. Nov. 19, 1906.
- ii Alice Myrtle, b. Apr. 3, 1909.
- iii Ronald, b. Feb. 10, 1917.
- iv Robert Raymond, b. Jan. 27, 1925.

5 Thomas, s. of William Henry(3), b. Feb. 5, 1888; m. Sept. 12, 1911, Bertha, dau. of Nicholas and Mary Shonbein of Buck. Res. William Street. Children:

- i Clifton, b. Dec. —, 1912.
- ii Alberta, b. July 15, 1914.
- iii Marjorie, b. Mar. 31, 1918.

6 Harold Bateman, s. of William Henry(3), b. Dec. 10, 1896; m. Florence E. Davis of Shelburne; res. South Street. Has:

- i William Frederick, b. Apr. 17, 1922.

WALL, Thomas, was a voter here in 1900.

WALL (WAHL), William, s. of Patrick and Kate (Butler), b. in Ireland; d. in Buck., Jan. 15, 1920, ae. 67 yrs. He was a voter here in 1900; employed by the B. & M. R. R.; m. Elizabeth Toomey, b. in Ireland. Children:

- i Patrick, d. Sept. 30, 1918, ae. 36 yrs.; unm.
- ii Catherine A., b. abt. 1885; m. Dec. 25, 1904, George E. Lusty of Colrain.
- iii William, m. June 29, 1912, Flora May, dau. of Benjamin Corbin of Colrain and had: 1. Gerald Russell, b. Jan. 8, 1923.
- iv Mary, b. May 20, 1889; m. Oct. 17, 1908, Frederick Meech of Buck.
- v Lizzie, b. Dec. 4, 1891.
- vi Son, b. and d. Dec. 19, 1894.
- vii Elizabeth Cecelia, m. Apr. 14, 1917, Charles Edward Eaton of Buck.

WALTERS, Arthur, s. of Gustavus and Clara, b. in Germany in 1866; was on the voter's list in 1900; m. July 5, 1892, Rosa, dau. of George and Sarah (Armitage) Cantrell of Buckland. She d. Jan. 7, 1898, ae. 28 yrs.

1 WARD, Daniel (John<sup>4</sup>, William<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>), b. in Grafton, 1732; d. Sept. 12, 1812. He was a soldier in the French and Indian



War of 1755-60, being stationed at Colrain. At the close of the war, went to Ashfield and thence to Buck., settling on Clesson's River. He m. about 1758 or 9, Hannah Harroun of Colrain. Children:

- i Catherine, b. prior to 1760 in Colrain; m. Joel Gillis.
- 2 ii John, b. Mar. 21, 1760 in Colrain.
- 3 iii Alexander, b. Colrain.
- iv Elijah, m. Lydia Flower; res. Chagrin, O.
- v Tirzah, m. Josiah Drake and d. at Antwerp, N. Y.
- vi Moses, m. Thankful Lyon; lived in Virginia.
- vii Mabel, m. Oct. 16, 1799, Enoch Dole; she d. in Shel.

2 John, s. of Daniel(1), b. Mar. 21, 1760 in Colrain; d. Sept. 8 or 29, 1846. He m. (1) Feb. 24, 1784, Rachel Spinney; (2) Mar. 21, 1792, Lois Cranston. She d. May 9, 1838, cemetery record. Children:

- i Rachel, b. May 26, 1785; d. Nov. 29, 1825; m. June 6, 1819, Squire Millard.
- ii Lucretia, b. Oct. 24, 1793; m. Oct. —, 1825, Apollos Brackett of Buck.
- 4 iii John Cranston, b. Mar. 16, 1795.
- iv Betsey, b. Aug. 10, 1797; m. Sept. 20, 1820, Walter H. Pelton of Charlemont.
- v Lois, b. Nov. 29, 1799; d. May 21, 1861.
- vi William, b. Oct. 23, 1803; d. Oct. 12, 1828; m. Nov. 29, 1826, Sally Derby.
- vii Amasa, b. July 9, 1806; d. Nov. 20, 1862.
- viii Sabrina, b. Dec. 2, 1807; m. Apr. 4, 1827, Israel Phillips of Ashford, Conn.; res. Ashfield.
- ix Windsor, b. Jan. 23, 1811; m. Oct. 14, 1832, Lydia Harvey.

3 Alexander, s. of Daniel(1), b. in Colrain; d. Mar. —, 1839. The Ward genealogy gives his wife's name as Polly Sherwin. He probably m. a second time as in his estate paper the wife's name is given as Harriet. From these same papers are taken the names of his children:

- i Daniel. (A Daniel Ward d. June 8, 1841, ae. 51 yrs., Cemetery rec.)
- ii John Newton.

- iii Joshua. (A Joshua Ward was pub. with Lucy Warren of Buck., Feb. 27, 1812.)
- iv "Claracy," m. — Blackman; mentioned as "my Daughter."
- v Emily, m. Oct. 14, 1832, Rev. John Parker, also mentioned as "my daughter."
- vi Charles.
- vii Edwin.

4 John Cranston, s. of John(2), b. Mar. 16, 1795; d. in Ashfield, Aug. 13, 1869. He was early known as "Miller Ward," having a grist-mill about one mile south of Buck. center; also bore the title "Captain." He m. Apr. 25, 1816, Polly, dau. of Jesse Pratt; she was b. in 1800; d. Jan. 3, 1833; m. (2) in 1834, Caroline Hastings of Charlemont. She was b. in 1815; d. Nov. 10, 1844; m. (3) Annie Phillips, who d. in 1858; m. (4) Achsah W——, who was b. in 1795; d. 1863. Children, order uncertain:

- 5
  - i Austin Pratt, b. June 30, 1817.
  - ii Chandler A., b. abt. 1824; was a miller; m. May 20, 1846, Lucy, dau. of Philemon and Lucy Rice of Charlemont.
  - iii Esther A., m. Oct. 19, 1848 (then aged abt. 27 yrs.), Henry T. Green.
- 6
  - iv John Franklin, b. Feb. 1, 1829.
  - v Horatio L., d. Aug. 24, 1830, ae. 4 yrs.
  - vi Infant son, d. Oct. 10, 1835.
  - vii Eliza A., b. 1832; d. 1854.  
By wife Caroline Hastings:
  - viii George.
  - ix Alfred Z., b. 1838; d. 1858.
  - x Harriet A., b. 1841; d. 1858.

5 Austin Pratt, s. of John Cranston(4), b. June 30, 1817; d. Nov. 10, 1898. He m. May 23, 1842, Roxana L., dau. of Enos Taylor. She was b. Sept. 11, 1817; d. Jan. 15, 1899. Children:

- i Mary Pamela, b. Feb. 22, 1844; d. Nov. 21, 1910; m. Mar. 4, 1876, Joseph Goddard.
- ii Infant son, d. Aug. 10, 1845.

- iii Albert Longley, b. Dec. 15, 1846; m. Sept. 22, 1892, Carrie H. Andrews. Res. Taunton; was a photographer.
- iv Ellen Elizabeth, b. Apr. 24, 1856; m. June 24, 1885, William L. Hubbard.
- v Rosamund Mary, b. May 1, 1858; unm.

6 John Franklin, s. of John Cranston(4), b. Feb. 1, 1829; d. 1917; m. Dec. 7, 1851, Mary E., dau. of Orpheus Dole. She was b. 1830; d. 1897. Children:

- i Frank A.
- ii William Clifton, b. Dec. 5 or 8, 1865.
- iii Eva, b. July 12, 1869.

1 WARD, John (John<sup>4</sup>, William<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>), brother of Daniel<sup>5</sup>, b. Newton, Aug. 12, 1720 (also given as Mendon, Sept. 14, 1720); sett. in Buckland in 1773; d. 1805. He m. Mary Torrey of Mendon, m. Jan. 16, 1745, Mendon T. R. She d. Jan. 18, 1822 (also given Dec. 18, 1821). Children, b. in Upton:

- i Josiah, b. Jan. 20, 1748; m. Polly Wiswall; rem. west in 1800; his fourth and youngest child, Nancy, m. James Butler (pub. Jan. 26, 1802) of Buck.; they rem. to N. Y. State.
- ii & iii Children, died young.
- iv Susanna, b. Nov. 29, 1761; m. May 27, 1783, David Alden of Batavia, O.
- v Luke, b. Apr. 16, 1763; m. in Buckland, Sept. 2, 1786, Molly Davis; sett. Middlefield, O.
- 2 vi Jeremiah, b. Sept. 24, 1766.
- vii Polly, b. Jan. 11, 1768; m. May 26, 1800 in Buck., William Hook.

2 Jeremiah, s. of John(1), b. Sept. 24, 1766; came with his parents in the spring of 1773; d. May 10, 1847. Selectman in 1806, and was interested in the affairs of the new township. He m. Dec. 12, 1793, Hannah, dau. of Kerley Ward. She was b. Sept. 30, 1774; d. Feb. 24, 1833. Children:

- 3 i Josiah, b. Mar. 20, 1795.
- ii Jane, b. June 9, 1797; m. Oct. 2, 1820, Alfred Perkins; rem. to Lakeville, Minn.



- iii Sumner, b. Jan. 25, 1800; res. Windsor Locks, Conn., and later rem. to Ill.
  - iv Jeremiah, m. Sarah Hill of Williamsburg, Mass.; he was drowned in the Mill River Flood, May 16, 1874, ae. 70 yrs. Of his eleven children the oldest, Harrison Otis, was b. in Buck., Feb. 7, 1829 and d. in West Springfield, Mass., Oct. 21, 1849.
  - v John, b. Apr. 6, 1806; m. Mary Burns of Boston where they res. for a time. With their family they later rem. to Buffalo, N. Y.
  - vi Hannah, b. Feb. 27, 1809; m. James Kelton or Kilton, who, with his family had their names changed to Carleton in 1834.
  - vii Luke, b. Sept. 17, 1811; d. July 19, 1814.
- 3 Josiah, s. of Jeremiah(2), b. Mar. 20, 1795; d. Apr. 2, 1859; m. Mar. 26, 1818, Sally, dau. of Edmund and Rebecca (Brackett) Perkins. She was b. 1793; d. May 21, 1851. Children:
- i Sally Maria, b. Apr. 3, 1820; m. William Harkness and had three daus.
  - 4 ii Josiah Perkins, b. Apr. 23, 1822.
  - 5 iii Jeremiah Sumner, b. May 24, 1824.
  - 6 iv Alanson W., b. Jan. 16, 1827.
  - v Luke Augustus, b. Nov. 1, 1829; m. and had three children.
  - vi Samuel Ashman, b. Apr. 20, 1832; d. Nov. 8, 1914 in Lowell, Ill.
  - vii Cynthia Eliza, b. Oct. 31, 1834; m. Aaron Trask.  
(A Josiah S., is also given as a son of Josiah, but without dates; may have died young.)
- 4 Josiah Perkins, s. of Josiah(3), b. Apr. 23, 1822. In 1895, rem. to Athol, where he d. Jan. 13, 1906. Was a member of the school committee in 1847. He m. Oct. 27, 1847, in Buck., Catherine, dau. of Ansel and Betsey (Sears) Taylor. She was b. in Ashfield, Mar. 22, 1827; d. Feb. 7, 1909 in No. Adams, Mass. Children:
- i Ellen Isadore, b. Feb. 1, 1852; d. Dec. 18, 1863.
  - ii Lucy Isabella, b. Feb. 13, 1854; d. Dec. 3, 1863.
  - iii Horace Augustus, b. Apr. 29, 1859; d. Dec. 9, 1863.

- iv Son, b. and d. Dec. 10, 1864.
- v Marion Isabell, b. Feb. 8, 1867; m. Oct. 27, 1886 in Buck., Arthur W. Blanchard; res. North Adams, Mass.
- vi Ansel Taylor, b. Jan. 25, 1869; m. and res. Athol, Mass.

5 Jeremiah Sumner, known as Sumner J., s. of Josiah(3), b. May 24, 1824; d. July 9, 1909. He worked at the carpenter's trade as well as farming; was deacon in the church, a prominent member of the Buckland Farmers Club, selectman and assessor. He m. Dec. 1, 1847, Caroline, dau. of Zur Hitchcock. She was b. Oct. 28, 1826; d. Jan. 26, 1928, ae. 102 yrs., 2 mos., 29 days. Children:

- i Clarence Sumner, b. West Springfield, Mass., Oct. 31, 1848; d. Aug. 23, 1900; saw-mill operator; m. Dec. 5, 1876, in Greenfield, Flora A., dau. of Arnold and Melinda (Bronson) Smith. Two children, b. in Buck.: Robert Arnold, b. Oct. 22, 1877; res. W. Springfield; and Inez M., b. Oct. 23, 1879; m. Oct. 2, 1912, David Deland; d. Oct. 12, 1917.
- 7 ii Charles Edwin, b. Oct. 17, 1849.
- iii Carrie Inez, b. Dec. 1, 1855; d. Mar. 2, 1860.
- 8 iv Fred Oscar, b. Sept. 24, 1864.

6 Alanson W., s. of Josiah(3), b. Jan. 16, 1827; d. Dec. 5, 1896. As a young man he was employed as a carpenter. Later he removed to Shelburne Falls where he was successively engaged in a wood-working business, lumber and grain, and finally a grocery business. He served as selectman and represented his district in the legislature. He m. Mar. 11, 1856 or 7, Mrs. Betsey (dau. of Eliphaz and Joana (Veber) Woodward), and widow of William F. Brewster of Charlemont. Children:

- i Wendall Fay, b. Jan. 28, 1858; d. Dec. 1859.
- ii Fred Clifton, b. June 1860; d. Sept. 1863.
- iii Jennie May, b. Apr. 17, 1862; d. Aug. 12, 1897; m. Sept. 14, 1896, Rufus Covell of Shelburne Falls.
- iv Clarence Winsor, b. Sept. 4, 1868, adopted, a son of Winsor Woodward. He was a nephew of Mrs. Ward and his name was changed to Ward; res. Shel. Falls; m. Oct. 7, 1891, Sarah of Ann, dau. of William and

Charlotte Shaw, b. England, 1871. Had: 1. dau., b. June 11, 1893. 2. Mildred, b. Mar. 11, 1895.

7 Charles Edwin, s. of Jeremiah S.(5), b. Oct. 17, 1849; resides Shel. Falls. For many years operated a saw and grist mill. His has been an active, useful life; selectman; School Committee; served five years in the House and two in the Senate; president of the Deerfield Valley Agricultural Society, member of the State Board of Agriculture; trustee of Mass. Agricultural College, and of the State Board of Insanity. In recent years he has made his home at Shelburne Falls, where he holds the position of Town Clerk of Shelburne.

At the Buckland one hundredth anniversary, Mr. Ward spoke for the young men of the town and on the occasion of the Sesqui-Centennial celebration, he gave the historical address. He m. Nov. 28, 1883, Harriet Angelina, dau. of Lawson<sup>7</sup> and Eunice L. (Bronson) Elmer. She was b. Aug. 28, 1856 in Conway; d. Jan. 27, 1927. Children:

- i Grace Landers, b. Sept. 29, 1884; grad. Cornell University 1907; m. Jan. 1, 1912, in Buck., Arthur L. Danforth; res. Watertown, N. Y.
- ii Amy L., b. Feb. 6, 1886; grad. N. E. Conservatory of Music, 1909; teacher of piano; res. Shel. Falls.
- iii Carroll Raymond, b. Oct. 8, 1888; grad. Dartmouth Col., 1911; Princeton and the Yale Law school. Is of the law firm of Chadbourne Hunt, Jaeckle and Brown, New York City.
- iv Ruth Cordelia, b. Mar. 26, 1894; m. (1) Apr. 4, 1917, Lee Hutchins; (2) July 31, 1918, De Witt Danforth; res. Cleveland, Ohio.

8 Fred Oscar, s. of Jeremiah S.(5), b. Sept. 24, 1864, a carpenter by trade; d. Sept. 9, 1920, in Northampton, Mass.; m. in Buck., Mar. 26 or 29, 1890, Alice, dau. of Ezra and Lydia Arnold. She was b. Feb. 24, 1864. Child:

- i Harry Payson, b. Mar. 30, 1894; d. Nov. 8, 1930. During the World War was on the Destroyer "Stevens," as Gunners Mate 1st Cl.; left the service in 1919, and engaged in farming in Buck.; m. Dec. 18, 1917, Ruth G., dau. of Charles A. and Eliza (Taylor) Wilder. She was b. Apr. 26, 1893 in Buck.



1 WARD, Kerley (Hezekiah<sup>5</sup>, Hezekiah<sup>4</sup>, William<sup>3</sup>, William<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>), a nephew of Captain Nahum Ward, was b. Feb. 17, 1752, in Grafton; d. May 12, 1835. Came to Buckland in 1789 from Upton, Mass. with a family. Rev. soldier. He m. Catherine, dau. of John and Jane (Thompson) Graham of Spencer, Mass., Sept. 28, 1773. She d. Nov. 18, 1841, ae. 90 years. Children:

i Hannah, b. Sept. 30, 1774; m. Dec. 12, 1793, Jeremiah Ward; d. Feb. 24, 1833.

2 ii John Graham, b. Nov. 6, 1776.

3 iii Jonathan, b. July 23, 1778 (Ward Genealogy, Sept. 23 in Oakham).

iv Jesse, b. Aug. 22, 1781; d. Dec. 6, 1833, in Strafford, N. Y.

v Samuel, b. June 1, 1785; d. Nov. 22, 1822 in Albany, N. Y.; m. 1807, wife's name unknown.

vi Catherine, b. Jan. 3, 1788; m. June 18, 1807, John Shepard of N. Y. City.

vii Jane, b. Sept. 10, 1791; d. Mar. 17, 1796 in Buckland.

2 John Graham, s. of Kerley(1), b. Nov. 6, 1776; d. Sept. 17, 1806 in Albany, N. Y. He m. June 6 or 29, 1801, Susanna, dau. of Elias Carter. She m. (2) Elisha Pike of Buckland, Mar. 10, 1819; res. Charlemont. Children:

i Emily.

ii John G., who m. and res. on a dairy farm in Northampton, Mass.

iii Everett F., who d. Georgeville, R. I., Aug. 9, 1873.

3 Jonathan, s. of Kerley(1), b. July 23 (or Sept. 23, in Oakham), 1778; d. Feb. 1, 1865 in Buck.; m. (1) Nov. 26, 1801, Ruth, dau. of Lt. Jasher and Susannah Taylor, who d. Nov. 5, 1802, in Albany, N. Y.; m. (2) Sept. 27, 1805, his sister-in-law, Susannah Taylor; she was b. Oct. 15, 1786; d. July 25, 1831; m. (3) in Savoy, Relief Ingram, who d. July 31, 1844; (4) in Conway, Apr. 10, 1845, Mrs. Electa Field Bigelow, who was b. in Conway, in 1791; d. Nov. 23, 1872 in Amherst, Mass. Children by second marriage:

4 i Jasher Taylor, b. Dec. 15, 1806.

ii Susanna Kelley, b. July 28, 1808; m. Apr. 3, 1839, Ralph B. Southworth; d. Waupacca, Wis., Feb. 15, 1879.

- iii Ruth Lemira, b. May 18, 1810; m. Apr. 14, 1835, Franklin Ballard. She d. Mar. 2, 1884.
  - iv Elvira Eliza, b. Feb. 29, 1812; m. Sept. 28, 1843, Bela Mitchell of Plainfield, Mass.; she d. Apr. 15, 1861.
  - v Jonathan, b. Feb. 4, 1814; m. Mar. 8, 1838, Electa King; sett. Wis.
  - vi Hezekiah, b. Feb. 25, 1816; d. Oct. 18 or 28, 1891, unm. He had served for a number of years as tax-collector, also selectman and overseer of the poor.
  - vii Gratia, b. Dec. 20, 1817; m. Sept. 24 or 26, 1844, William B. Jewett of Bloomfield, Wis.
  - 5 viii Graham Kerley, b. Mar. 22, 1820.
  - 6 ix Samuel, b. June 1, 1824.
  - x Dency, b. Aug. 4, 1826; d. Feb. 16, 1901 in Hawley. She was a teacher and later a practical nurse, residing at Savoy, unm.
  - xi Catherine, b. Nov. 10, 1828; m. Apr. 10, 1849, Alanson Streeter.
- 4 Jasher Taylor, s. of Jonathan(3), b. Dec. 15, 1806; d. Apr. 19, 1874. He m. Dec. 2, 1829, Electa, dau. of Enos and Achsah (Howes) Harmon. She was b. in Hawley, Nov. 6, 1807; d. Sept. 3, 1898. Children:
- i Preleit Miller, b. Dec. 27, 1830; d. Dec. 20, 1831.
  - ii Son, b. Feb. 20, 1833; d. Feb. 21, 1833.
  - iii Jonathan Taylor, b. Jan. 29, 1834; d. Jan. 7, 1899, unm.; farmer and ran a saw mill.
- 7 iv Joseph Miller, b. Dec. 12, 1835.
- 8 v Jesse Munroe, b. Oct. 21, 1837.
- 9 vi Preleit Graham, b. Jan. 7, 1840.
- 5 Graham Kerley, s. of Jonathan(3), b. Mar. 22, 1820; d. Feb. 12, 1888. In young manhood he engaged in teaching, but in later life turned to farming. Selectman in the 1850's, and member of the School Committee. He m. Jan. 28, 1847 in Charlemont, Julia, dau. of Martin and Polly (Brooks) Howard. She was b. May 15, 1821, in Charlemont; d. June 2, 1886 in Buck. Children:
- i Erwin Graham, b. Jan. 5, 1849, a teacher and member of the School Committee in 1877; d. Nov. 15, 1920

in So. Weymouth; m. Nov. 24, 1884, Sarah E. Knox of Palmer.

- ii Emma Julia, b. July 20, 1850; d. Sept. 11, 1910; m. Jan. 28, 1890, her cousin Edwin H. Wells. He was b. in Conway, a painter and paper hanger by trade and was killed Oct. 28, 1905, by the falling of scaffolding while engaged in painting the Baptist church in Shel. Falls.

10 iii Edgar Hunt, b. Nov. 11, 1854.

- iv Jonathan Everett, b. July 1, 1860; d. Mar. 11, 1874.

6 Samuel, s. of Jonathan(3), b. June 1, 1824; d. June 2, 1894. In 1846 he bought the farm which he carried on for forty-eight years and which is now owned by his son, Hezekiah E. Ward. He m. May 21, 1846 in Conway, Rebecca, dau. of Joel and Philinda (Wilder) Field. She was b. Nov. 19, 1829 in Conway; d. Sept. 3, 1872. He m. (2) in Stamford, Vt., Nov. 17, 1874, Mrs. Susie M. (Proud) Meekins. she was b. Apr. 22, 1855, in Pownall, Vt.; d. Oct. 23, 1896. She was dau. of William and Amelia (Williams) Proud. Children:

- i Lucy Electa, b. Apr. 27, 1847; d. Nov. 13, 1874; m. May 6, 1869 in Colrain, Elliott J. Albee.
- ii Charles Franklin, b. Jan. 3, 1850; d. Apr. 20, 1883; m. Nov. 28, 1872, Augusta F. McGraw. She d. in Lake Geneva, Wis.; had: Clarence, b. 1874.
- iii Idella Viola, b. Jan. 23, 1853; m. Mar. 27, 1875 in Cambridge, Mass., as his second wife, her brother-in-law, Elliott J. Albee. He d. Dec. 30, 1899. She res. Dalton, Mass.
- iv Hezekiah, b. Sept. 20, 1856; d. Feb. 12, 1870.
- v Clara Elvira, b. Aug. 28, 1868; d. Oct. 26, 1924 in Holyoke, Mass.; m. May 2, 1888, Albert Lemuel Gould of Holyoke.

By second wife:

- 11 vi Hezekiah Erwin, b. Oct. 9, 1875.

7 Joseph Miller, s. of Jasher T.(4), b. Dec. 12, 1835; d. Apr. 5, 1879. He m. Nov. 17, 1858, Lucy, dau. of Hiram and Ruth (Toby) Dodge of Hawley. She was b. Mar. 26, 1840; d. Sept. 20, 1922, in Amherst. Children:



- i Waldo Taylor, b. Oct. 21, 1859 in Hawley; res. Amherst, Mass.
  - ii Nettie Euphelia, b. July 12, 1862, in Buckland; d. Mar. 15, 1863.
  - iii Jennie May, b. July 8, 1864; m. May 3, 1881, Albert Lilly of Ashfield.
  - iv Cora Estella, b. July 8, 1873; m. May 23, 1896, John O. Warner; res. So. Deerfield.
- 8 Jesse Munroe, s. of Jasher T.(4), b. Oct. 21 or 31, 1837; d. Jan. 20, 1921. He m. in Hawley, Dec. 26, 1861, Ellen J., dau. of Levi and Laura B. Harmon. She was b. Apr. 4, 1837; d. Nov. 6, 1916. Children:
- i Frank, b. June 7, 1863; d. Feb. 4, 1866.
  - ii Frederick, b. Nov. 5, 1865; d. Jan. 10, 1868.
  - iii Rosa L., b. July 26, 1874; m. Sept. 17, 1892, Sereno Elwin Howes; res. Buck.
  - iv Flora Harriet, b. Nov. 14, 1876; d. Feb. 16, 1922, unm.
- 9 Preleit Graham, s. of Jasher T.(4), b. Jan. 7, 1840; d. Feb. 29, 1912; m. Apr. 15, 1861, Rowena Marilla, dau. of Hiram and Ruth (Toby) Dodge. She was b. Nov. 29, 1845; d. Feb. 22, 1931. Children:
- i Nellie Gilbert, b. Jan. 16, 1862; m. Mar. 17, 1883 (1882, T. R.), Henry Stephen Cross; res. Buck.
  - ii Allison Henry, b. Dec. 26, 1867; m.; res. Stratford, or Bridgeport, Conn.
- 10 Edgar Hunt, s. of Graham Kerley(5), b. Nov. 11, 1854; d. Aug. —, 1936. He followed the occupations of farming and carpentering, m. in Readsboro Falls, Vt., Aug. 27, 1885, C. May, dau. of John T. and Elvira M. (Hosley) Carrier. She was b. in Hartwellville, Vt., Nov. 27, 1861; d. Mar. 6, 1910. Children:
- i Lizzie Emma, b. Feb. 26, 1887; d. Dec. 10, 1915; m. Nov. 9, 1912, Herbert Leroy Keach.
  - ii Sarah May, b. Jan. 21, 1889.
  - iii Marjorie Anna, b. Feb. 27, 1893; m. in Ashfield, May 24, 1916, Preston G. Warfield of Buckland.
- 11 Hezekiah Erwin, s. of Samuel(6), b. Oct. 9, 1875; resides on the farm formerly his father's. Has served the town in various

public capacities, chairman of the school committee, president of the Farmer's Club, and on the committee for the preparation of the town's history, in which he has evinced much interest. He m. in Springfield, May 1, 1899, Lucy Annie, dau. of David and Antoinette (Curtis) Dudley, who was b. in Wallingford, Conn., Nov. 15, 1872. Children:

- i Helen Minerva, b. Dec. 7, 1900; m. June 26, 1926, Frederick J. Call of Colrain. Res. Colrain; four chil.
- ii Vivian Idella, b. Mar. 18, 1902; a teacher.
- 12 iii Nelson Erwin, b. Nov. 15, 1903.
- 13 iv Hezekiah Roger, b. June 23, 1907.

12 Nelson Erwin, s. of Hezekiah E.(11), b. Nov. 15, 1903; resides in Buck. where he has been Master of the Grange, and a member of the school committee; m. June 12, 1926, Blanch E., dau. of Charles A. and Eliza T. Wilder. She was b. June 27, 1906. Children:

- i Beverly Jane, b. Oct. 27, 1927.
- ii Russell Nelson, b. Dec. 22, 1928.
- iii Alma Joy, b. Sept. 23, 1930.
- iv Donald E., b. Mar. 24, 1932.
- v Robert Dudley, b. May 31, 1933.

13 Hezekiah Roger, s. of Hezekiah E.(11), b. June 23, 1907; m. Oct. 28, 1928, Evelyn Clarissa, dau. of Walter M. and Delia Ware of Alstead, N. H. She was b. Apr. 12, 1909; m. (2) Sept. 15, 1933, Lillian McIver of Ashfield. They res. Buck. Children:

- i Elwin Roger, twin, b. Dec. 7, 1929.
- ii Erwin Walter, twin, b. Dec. 7, 1929.
- iii Annie Catherine, b. Mar. 2, 1931.

WARD, Lysander, had a daughter, b. May 31, 1859.

1 WARD, Nahum (Hezekiah<sup>4</sup>, William<sup>3</sup>, William<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 26, 1744; d. in Upton, Feb. 6, 1812. He sett. in Buck., abt. 1769, remaining some five years, then rem. to Charlemont, and abt. 1781 returned to his former home at Upton. He m. in 1770, Anna, dau. of Ezra and Sarah Wood of Upton. She was b. Mar. 12, 1753; d. Aug. 29, 1805. Nahum Ward served in the French and Indian wars and while in Buck., went by the name of Capt. Ward. Children:

- 2 i Jonathan, b. Oct. 24, 1770, the first white child born in Buck.
- ii Anna, b. Buck., Sept. 9, 1773; m. in 1790, David Holbrook; d. in Croyden, N. H.
- iii Sarah, b. in Charlemont, abt. 1775; m. Pardeus Thurston.
- iv Sabrina, b. in Charlemont, Oct. 20, 1778; m. Daniel Holbrook.
- v Hepzibah, b. July 19, 1781 in Upton; m. Thomas McFarland.
- vi Deborah, b. Mar. 29, 1788; m. Jotham Bradish.
- vii Bethiah, b. Feb. 15, 1795; m. Elisha Carpenter.

2 Jonathan, s. of Nahum(1), b. Buck., Oct. 24, 1770, the first white child b. in the new township; m. Melita Daniels. With his family and parents he returned to their former home. Children (Ward Genealogy):

- i Nahum, b. Jan. 7, 1790; d. Apr. 22, 1796.
- ii Lois, b. Apr. 25, 1792.
- iii Prudence, b. Feb. 14, 1797.
- iv Pardeus Thurston, b. July 12, 1803; d. July 18, 1804.
- v Anna Marilla, b. Aug. 1, 1805.
- vi Calvin Judson, b. May 25, 1808 at Upton.
- vii Jonathan Erwin, b. Nov. 14, 1811.
- viii Milcah Melita Selina, b. Jan. 24, 1814.

WARD, William, m. Elizabeth, dau. of Luther Elmer. He d. Sept. 3, 1863 in Williamsburg. Children:

- i Jessaline E., b. Sept. 21, 1849 or 1850, in Hawley; m. William J. Purrington; res. E. Charlemont.
- ii Helen L., b. in Buckland, Apr. 27, 1852; m. and res. Sioux Falls, Da.
- iii Lillie A., b. in Buckland, June 4, 1855; m. Austin K. Morton.

WARD, William, b. in Ireland; m. Eliza Toomey, also b. Ireland. Children, b. in Buckland:

- i Thomas, b. Apr. 27, 1879.
- ii Patsy, b. Dec. 14, 1880.



WARD, Zebina, pub. with Polly Temple of Buckland, Aug. 4, 1812.

WARE, Louis, a cutler, b. in Canada; m. Anne E. Boehmer (pr. dau. of Frederick). Res. Buck. Children:

- i Laura Amelia, b. Mar. 3, 1876; d. Apr. 23, 1877.
- ii Bernice M., b. Sept. 9, 1879; d. Oct. 23, 1879.
- iii Bernice A., b. Nov. 13, 1880; m. June 18, 1902, Henry W. Stroheker.

1 WARE, Michael (Michael<sup>3</sup>, Robert<sup>2</sup>, Robert<sup>1</sup>), b. in Wrentham, Dec. 5, 1725; d. about 1814; m. (1) Feb. 5, 1754, Abiel, dau. of Michael and Abiel (Colburn) Metcalf. She d. Dec. 25, 1757. He m. (2) Lucy Grant. Children, order unknown:

- i Dolly (or Molly), b. Oct. 15, 1759; pub. with Jude Cross, Feb. 7, 1794. The Ware Gen. says "m. June 10, 1779, Eliphalet Farrington."
- 2 ii Michael, b. 1765.
- iii Reuben was apparently in Buckland with his wife only, in 1790 (Census); d. in San Francisco, Cal.
- iv George, pub. June 4, 1798 with Mehitable Thompson of Shelburne; d. Buckland.
- 3 v James, b. (prob. Apr.) 1763.
- 4 vi Ariel, b. 1776.
- 5 vii Abijah, b. after 1776.
- viii Lucy.
- ix Phebe.
- x Jane, b. Nov. 7, 1754.
- xi Abiel (son), b. Dec. 25, 1757; sett. in R. I.
- xii Zaanah perhaps (Family records).

2 Michael, s. of Michael(1), b. 1765 in Wrentham; d. May 7, 1849. He rem. to Buckland before 1790; m. (1) Mary (Polly), dau. of Abel Cross; (2) Hannah Camp (Kemp). She d. Apr. 26, 1867, ae. 82 yrs. Children, order uncertain:

- i Reuel, b. 1792; m. Betsey Clark; d. 1839.
- 6 ii Michael, b. 1794.
- iii Zechariah, m. Mary Frink; d. Feb. 24, 1843.
- 7 iv Willard, b. 1800.
- v Jabez, b. 1804; m. Fannie Munson; d. 1878.
- vi Polly, m. Sanford Foster.

- vii Nancy, b. 1806; m. Oct. 22, 1829 or 30, Alfred Woodward; d. Oct. 25, 1878.
  - viii Four others, names unknown, who d. young.  
By second wife:
    - xii Louisa, b. before 1810; m. Daniel Ellis.
  - 8 xiii Enos, b. Nov. 4, 1810.
  - xiv Betsey, b. 1814; d. Jan. 20, 1867; m. as second wife, Dec. 26, 1843, Orville Sherwin.
  - 9 xv Palmer, b. Sept. 25, 1815.
  - 10 xvi Daniel, b. Apr. 9, 1816.
  - xvii Rosannah, b. May 10, 1817; m. Cephas Woodward, resided Readsboro, Vt.
  - xviii Lucy, b. 1819; d. Nov. 18, 1829.
  - xix Lucretia, b. 1820; d. Nov. 11, 1838.  
Two more children who d. young, names unknown.
- 3 James, s. of Michael(1), b. 1763; d. Dec. 18, 1818; rem. to Buckland before the census of 1790; m. Susanna Mantor, who d. Oct. 21, 1849, ae. 74 yrs. Known children:
- i Son.
- 11 ii Mantor, b. 1789.
- iii Margaret, b. 1793; m. Feb. 15, 1815, John Sprague.
  - iv Molly, b. Aug. 1, 1808; d. Dec. 22, 1818.
- 4 Ariel, s. of Michael(1), b. 1776; d. in Buckland, July 2, 1832; m. Submit, dau. of Richard and Ruth Phillips of Dighton. She was b. about 1770; d. Aug. 15, 1835. This family settled in Buckland between 1790 and 1806. Children:
- 12 i Richard, b. May 31, 1797.
- ii Leander, b. 1800; rem. late in life to Zoar; had: 1. Emily, who m. William Payne, and had: 1. Wilbur; 2. Melissa.
  - iii Esther, b. Oct. 15, 1802; m. (1) Homer Johnson, who d. July 31, 1843; m. (2) May 30, 1845, Josiah Booth of Florida.
  - iv Amanda, b. Nov. 4, 1804; m. Feb. 2, 182-, Zophar Woodward. She d. Oct. 20, 1897.
  - v Huldah, b. Nov. 14, 1807; m. Oct. 15, 1829, Job Woodward. She d. July 18, 1888.
  - vi Sophronia, b. Jan. 1, 1809; m. George Veber.

- vii Anna, b. Nov. 25, 1811; m. (1) Willard Ware, who d. Mar. 15, 1845; m. (2) May 27, 1852, Jesse Edson of Ashfield. She d. 1891.
- 13 viii Franklin, b. Dec. 10, 1813.
- 5 Abijah, s. of Michael(1), was in Buckland in 1790; m. Feb. 20, 1783, Jerusha Ellis of Medway. Children:
- i Adam.
  - ii Abijah.
  - iii Amasa, who sett. at Everett.
  - iv Jerusha, who m. for her second husband at the age of 84 yrs., Chileab Smith, he being then 97.
  - v Hepsibah.
- 6 Michael, s. of Michael(2), b. 1794; d. Jan. 27, 1864; m. Dec. 12, 1822, Sarah Shepard of Ashfield. Her estate probated Mar. 5, 1861. The births of his children are recorded at Shelburne although he seems to have spent a part of his life at Buckland. Children:
- i Lurancy P., b. Sept. 28, 1823; m. — Barnum.
  - ii Elmina W., b. Feb. 2, 1828; m. — Rossiter; (2) — Shetley; (3) Nov. 20, 1887, William H. Moran; (4) S. S. Hunt; d. Jan. 17, 1900.
  - iii Sara B., b. Aug. 2, 1830; m. — Munn.
  - iv Ann Maria, b. Aug. 26, 1833; m. — May.
  - v Ellen Kezia, b. July 2, 1837; m. — Byrnes.
  - vi Isabella H., b. Feb. 1, 1840; m. (1) — Thompson; m. (2) Feb. 19, 1915, Peter Quinn.
- 7 Willard, s. of Michael(2), b. 1800; d. Mar. 15, 1845. He m. Anna, dau. of Ariel Ware. She m. (2) May 27, 1852, Jesse Edson of Ashfield. She d. in Buckland, Mar. 21, 1891, ae. 78 yrs. Children:
- 14 i Darwin F.
- ii Samuel, m. Nov. 2, 1855 in So. Halifax, Vt., Jane Elizabeth Payne of Conway.
  - iii Diana, m. Nov. 2, 1855, in So. Halifax, Vt., A. Steele of Shelburne.
  - iv Sophronia.
  - v Lucy F., m. Joseph E. Frost; d. Aug. 2, 1900, ae. 58 yrs.



- vi George E., d. Dec. 8, 1858, ae. 21 yrs.
- vii Julia Willard, d. Apr. 24, 1830, ae. 19 mos.

8 Enos, s. of Michael(2), b. Nov. 4, 1810; d. Sept. 6, 1908, ae. 97 yrs., 10 mos., the oldest person in town at the time of his death. He was a farmer, interested and active in that vocation, and during the summer preceding his decease, he often worked in his cornfield. He m. Lydia M., dau. of Eben Blanchard. She was b. in Florida, and d. in Buckland, Sept. 28, 1896, ae. 78 yrs. She was known as a most remarkable weaver on the old-fashioned loom. Children:

- i Helen A., b. 1852; m. June 6, 1888, William C. McKnight of Shelburne Falls.
- 15 ii Eben B.
- iii Lestina A., m. Dec. 29, 1861, Hiram A. Mealus. She d. July 25, 1865, ae. 21 yrs.

9 Palmer, s. of Michael(2), b. Sept. 25, 1815; d. Feb. 27, 1893, at Shelburne Falls. He m. (1) Thankful E. —, who d. at Dalton, Aug. 12, 1869, ae. 59 yrs.; m. (2) Aug. 30, 1870, Maria F., dau. of Abraham and Laurinda (Hardy) Wilcox of Shelburne. She was b. Feb. 19, 1838; d. Nov. 13, 1918. Palmer Ware lost his arm while at his work at the railroad station. He then successfully engaged in the coal and ice business at Shelburne Falls. Children:

- i Henry W., res. Shelburne Falls.
- ii Lucie M., m. Charles H. Wilcox of Springfield.
- iii Herbert Palmer, b. July 29, 1882; res. Shelburne Falls.

10 Daniel, s. of Michael(2), b. Apr. 9, 1816; d. Feb. 22, 1857; m. in 1843, Mrs. Electa Thayer Daniels, dau. of William and Phebe Thayer, and widow of Dixon M. Daniels. She m. (4) Jan. 17, 1860, Abel Goodenough. Children:

- i Cornelius D., b. May 22, 1844; d. Gouveneur, N. Y., Mar. 29, 1863.
- ii Philip, b. Aug. 28, 1846; d. Nov. 21, 1846.
- iii Frank B., b. Apr. 17, 1849.
- iv Ellen A., b. Aug. 17, 1851.

11 Mantor, s. of James(3), b. 1789; d. Sept. 2, 1861; m. Lucy, dau. of Noah and Hannah (Brown) Field of Northfield and

Whately, pub. May 29, 1813; she d. Aug. 2, 1858, ae. 66 yrs.  
Children:

- i Butler H., d. Oct. 5, 1858; m. May 7, 1851, Mrs. Martha (or Matilda, Probate Rec.) Holden of Colrain. One child.
- 16 ii Kendrick, b. abt. 1815.
- iii Calista, b. 1819; m. Dec. 9, 1846, Jesse (or Samuel) Edson; d. Dec. 5, 1851.
- iv Julia, b. Apr. 13, 1833; m. Sept. 23, 1850, Spencer Woodward. She d. Aug. 1, 1911, ae. 78 yrs.

12 Richard, s. of Ariel(4), b. May 31, 1797; d. Aug. 22, 1840 (Aug. 24, 1841, G. S.); m. (1) Feb. 2, 1826, Roxana Munson. She was b. Feb. 9, 1806; d. Oct. 20, 1830; m. (2) (pub. Feb. 1, 1833), Huldah Watson, who after her husband's death, removed to Colrain. Children:

- i Roxana H., m. abt. 1864, Foster Merriam; resided Paxton.
- ii Hassadiah M., m. Oct. 29, 1884, Elijah Brigham of Sutton. Resided Shelburne Falls.
- iii Mary J., d. Mar. 1, 1889, unm.
- iv Lauriston J., b. July or Jan. 1827; d. at No. Hadley, 1890.
- v Laura Elmer, b. Aug. 16, 1829; d. July 24, 18-9; m. Mar. 6, 1850, Otis Richmond.

13 Franklin, s. of Ariel(4), b. Dec. 10, 1813; d. June 8, 1889; was a carpenter; m. (1) Fanny, dau. of Silas Smith; (2) in Halifax, Vt., Oct. 5, 1865, Mrs. H. Augusta (Miller), widow of Silas Nims of Buckland. Children:

- i Fanny Ophelia, m. Dec. 6, 1857, Orlando Sweet of Buck.
- ii Laura Amelia, m. John F. Severance of Shelburne.
- iii Francelia E., m. Nov. 14, 1863, Frank H. Ducharme of Shelburne.
- iv Franklin S., b. abt. 1851, resided Springfield.
- v Jennie M., m. May 19, 1886, Harley J. Kendrick; lived Huntington.

14 Darwin, s. of Willard(7), d. Aug. 17, 1890 in Shelburne Falls; m. May 6, 1858, Lucretia H., dau. of Elijah and Amanda (Raney) Richmond. She d. Aug. 25, 1895. Children:

- i George D., d. Mar. 22, 1860, ae. 11 mos.
- ii Child, b. Dec. 28, 1861, perhaps the birth of one of the two daus.
- iii Florence L., m. Oct. 22, 1884, George E. Bates.
- iv Annie, m. Frederick A. Bardwell.

15 Eben B., s. of Enos(8), d. May 18, 1908, ae. 61 yrs.; m. Ida A. Sprague, b. in Florida. Children:

- i Merritt E., b. Aug. 28, 1879; res. Buck.
- ii Mabel S., b. Feb. 13, 1883; m. Dec. 9, 1913, Antonio P. Garofalo of Buck., and had: 1. Son, b. Oct. 15, 1914. 2. Dau., b. Feb. 29, 1920.
- iii Preston D., b. Jan. 18, 1889; m. Sarah Ann, dau. of David and Sarah Lusty of Colrain.

16 Kendrick, s. of Mantor(11), b. Buck. abt. 1815; d. Dec. 2, 1892; m. Oct. 11, 1840, Nancy M., dau. of Abel and Hannah Wilder. She was b. Oct. 8, 1818 at Charlemont; d. Jan. 19, 1897. Children:

- i Frederick C., m. Hattie A. Fellows; had: Mary L., b. May 17, 1868; m. Feb. 3, 1889, Christian Rush (Roesch).
- ii Adelaide Esther, b. Aug. 9, 1841; m. Homer F. Johnson; d. Mar. 24, 1910.

17 iii Azro W., b. Oct. 2, 1847.

17 Azro W., s. of Kendrick(16), b. Oct. 2, 1847; m. Mar. 23, 1872, Delia F., dau. of Enos Dole. Children:

- i Mabel H., b. Feb. 28, 1874.
- ii Grace L., b. June 4, 1876; m. Harley C. Hoag of Middlebury, Vt.
- iii Jean.
- iv Son, b. and d. in Westfield.
- v Marion, b. Apr. 24, 1890; d. 1932.
- vi Ethelyn A.

1 WARFIELD, Henry L., Dea. of the Buckland Ch. for more than forty years, s. of Job (b. 1792; d. Oct. 28, 1871) and Nancy (Thompson, b. 1796; d. Nov. 5, 1878), b. in Heath in 1835; d. in Buck., Feb. 18, 1916. He came from Heath about 1866; had served as a member of the school committee and as representa-



tive, a man whose life had won the respect of all. He m. (1) Maria L. Dunnell. She was b. in 1837; d. June 27, 1870; m. (2) Jan. 11, 1871, Ellen C. Angell of Northfield, who was b. in 1845. Children:

- i Ella Maria, b. Oct. 28, 1860; m. Oct. 28, 1878, Francis W. Trow; d. Sept. 27, 1904.
  - ii Arthur H., b. at Heath; m. Mar. 15, 1886, Frances R., dau. of John S. and Harriet Cobb of Barnard, Vt.; res. Brookfield.
  - 2 iii Frederick L., b. Apr. 6, 1868.
  - iv Frank L., b. Aug. 15, 1872; d. Feb. 26, 1874.
  - v Ellen May, b. Apr. 12, 1875; d. Apr. 13, 1876.
- 2 Frederick L., s. of Henry L.(1), b. Apr. 6, 1868; m. Feb. 26, 1890, Cora Olivia, dau. of George B. Taylor. Children:
- 3 i Preston George, b. Mar. 1, 1891.
  - ii Howard Lyman, b. at West Brookfield, June 13, 1897; res. Winston-Salem, So. Car.
  - iii Dorothy Maria, b. July 9, 1904; m. Aug. 8, 1925, John G. Geiger of Shelburne.
- 3 Preston G., s. of Frederick L.(2), b. Mar. 1, 1891. Is a member of the school committee; m. in Ashfield, May 24, 1916, Marjorie Ann, dau. of Edgar Hunt Ward. She was b. Feb. 27, 1893. Has:
- i Shirley May, b. Aug. 17 or 27, 1917.

WARNER, Aurella O., m. Sept. 12, 1869, James M. Warner of Springfield.

WARNER, Adna, m. Sept. 20, 1824, Lucia, dau. of Elias Carter; rem. to Pitcher, N. Y.

WARNER, Clarence D., b. Dec. 19, 1847; d. Sept. 29, 1899 at Key West, Fla., buried on lot of Orson Warner.

WARNER, Ellen E., m. Jan. 7, 1879, Alanson W. Drake.

WARNER, Mary E., m. Dec. 16, 1869, Clinton H. Dodge of Hawley.

WARNER, Orson S., d. Oct. 23, 1866, ae. 47 yrs. His wife, Ade-line E., d. Jan. 17, 1896, ae. 67 yrs.

WARNER, "Thomas of Buckland, Gentleman," sells in 1794 land in Buckland on the Ashfield line to Dr. John Safford of Buckland.

WARREN, Timothy, a Revolutionary Soldier and pensioner, d. in Buckland, May 16, 1851, ae. 91 yrs.

WATKINS, John, Selectman in 1781.

WATKINS, Almira, d. Sept. 5, 1873, ae. 72 yrs.

WEISSMAN, see WESSMAN and WISSMAN.

WELLER, Henry C., d. Oct. 12, 1884, ae. 63 yrs.; m. (1) Rosamund Field, who d. Aug. 20, 1865; m. (2) Feb. 16, 1871, Mrs. Adeline E. Warner of Buckland. She m. for her third husband, Aug. 19, 1887, Lemuel Harris, his third wife. She was b. in Winchester, N. H., dau. of Eli Smith. Children by first wife:

- i Jennie R., who m. —, aged 17 yrs.; — Jan. 1, 1876, George F. Greenlaw of Boston.
- ii Herbert, b. Jan. 1, 1863.

1 WELLS, Austin S., s. of Alvah H. and Polly (Barber), b. Charlemont, May 2, 1841; d. Feb. 3, 1928; m. Sarah, dau. of William and Tryphena Townsend. She was b. in Ashfield, Feb. 7, 1843; d. July 26, 1881. Children:

- i Alice L., b. Jan. 19, 1865; m. Oct. 17, 1882, Frank W. Taylor; res. Ashfield; deceased.
- 2 ii Henry Bertelle, b. Feb. 9, 1867.
- iii Mary T., b. May 14, 1869; m. Mark Burdick, May 17, 1893.
- 3 iv George Willis Alonzo, b. Sept. 3, 1871, in Conway.
- 4 v Walter Austin, b. Oct. 8, 1873.
- vi Sarah Electa, b. June 16, 1881; m. (1) Joseph Belanger; (2) Arthur H. Shaw of Buckland; (3) May 29, 1922, Frank A. Schontag, of Buckland; (4) Aug. 11, 1928, Frederick S. Greer of Greenfield.

2 Henry Bertelle, s. of Austin S.(1), b. Feb. 9, 1867; d. June 5, 1931. He was a man greatly interested in all that pertained to civic betterment and had given freely of his ability in all directions; selectman in 1900. He m. Apr. 22, 1893, Attella C., dau. of Spencer Woodward. She was b. Sept. 17, 1874. Children:

- 5 i Nelson Bert, b. July 6, 1894; m. Sept. 1922, Christine Monahan, 4 children.

- ii Florence Atella, b. Nov. 9, 1896; m. Sept. 3, 1921, Robert J. Haeberle; res. Buck. 2 children.
- iii Julia Velma, b. Sept. 15, 1899; m. June 30, 1922, Philip L. Rea, of Marietta, Ohio. 1 child.
- iv Sarah Alta, b. June 26, 1901; m. Sept. 4, 1920, Robert E. Coombs of Colrain, 5 children.
- v Alma W., b. Jan. 7, 1905; m. Aug. 17, 1931, John W. Farr 3rd.; res. Pittsfield. 2 children.
- vi Esther Woodward, b. May 26, 1909; m. Sept. 1931, Chester F. Burnham of Greenfield.
- vii Ruth Townsend, b. July 29, 1913; m. July, 1933, Edward Schnell.

3 George Willis Alonzo, s. of Austin S.(1), b. Conway, Sept. 3, 1871; resides Buck.; m. Nov. 8, 1893, Winifred B., dau. of Milton and Lizzie (Shaw) Sears. She was b. in Buck., 1873; d. Mar. 13, 1931. Children:

- i Enoch Sears, b. Aug. 14, 1894; m. May 27, 1916, Eva Sophia, dau. of Willis and Lydia (Chapin) Burnett of Ashfield.
- ii Ralph Willis, b. Mar. 14, 1898; res. Shelburne Falls.
- iii Geneva, b. Dec. 15, 1906; m. Antonio Jubinville, res. Buck. Had: 1. Philip, b. and d. 1930. 2. Ann Marie.
- iv Robert, b. Jan. 17, 1909; d. Jan. 22, 1909.
- v Eleanor C., b. Aug. 8, 1913; m. Nov. 1935, Roger Goodnow.

4 Walter Austin, s. of Austin S.(1), b. Oct. 8, 1873; d. Dec. 5, 1930 from effects of accidental discharge of a shot-gun carried by a companion, while deer hunting in Hawley. He m. (1) May 23, 1894, Ada Cordelia, dau. of James and Mary (Wood) Wiley. She was b. Nov. 25, 1873; d. Nov. 4, 1901; m. (2) June 8, 1904, Margaret, dau. of Patrick and Bridget Healy of Greenfield. Children:

- i Edith May, b. Sept. 27, 189-.
- ii James A., b. 1898; d. 1918.
- iii Frederick, b. May 26, 1905.



5 Nelson Bert, s. of Henry Bertelle (2), b. July 6, 1894; m. Sept. 5, 1922, Ellen Christine, dau. of Edward and Eliza Monahan. She was b. June 26, 1900; res. Milton. Had at Buck.:

i Margaret L., b. June 27, 1923.

1 WELLS, Barnabas (Amasa<sup>6</sup>, Elisha<sup>5</sup>, Joshua<sup>4</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Hugh<sup>1</sup>), b. Hatfield, May 20, 1793; d. June 27, 1855, in Buck.; m. (1) Nov. 19, 1818, Sophia Parsons, b. in Charlemont; d. Oct. 11, 1833, ae. 39 yrs.; m. (2) Widow Lydia Cooney. Their mar. int. was pub. at Charlemont, Dec. 1, 1833. She d. July 8, 1844; m. (3) Jan. 22, 1846, Louisa Wood, a teacher, b. in Hardwick. She d. Apr. 2, 1863, ae. 60 yrs. Children:

2 i Elisha, b. May 23, 1820, at Hatfield.

ii Charles, b. Sept. 11, 1821.

iii Sophia, b. Sept. 28, 1824; d. July 1, 1879.

iv Joseph P., b. July 19, 1827; m.; had daus. Louise and Minnie; lived in Buckland, Greenfield, and the last of his life in Springfield.

v George, b. Feb. 22, 1832; d. Oct. 10, 1834.

vi George H., b. Jan. 6, 1837; was for many years employed at the Armory in Springfield.

2 Elisha, s. of Barnabas(1), b. May 23, 1820; d. Jan. 3, 1895 at Greenfield; m. Dec. 20, 1842, Lucina Blackman, dau. of Barnabas and Lucy Lilly of Ashfield. She was b. July 8, 1821; d. Aug. 5, 1906. He lived in Buckland, Shelburne and Greenfield. Was a blacksmith, cutler, and later in life worked at drop forging. Children:

i Frederick E., b. May 4, 1844, in Buckland; resided Greenfield, formerly of the firm of Wells Bros. & Co., manufacturers of Taps and Dies.

ii Cora Annette, b. in Shelburne, June 30, 1852; d. Greenfield, Oct. 1899; m. Albert A. Yeaw.

iii Frank O., b. Jan. 6, 1855, in Shelburne, resided Greenfield, manufacturer; builder of the Weldon Hotel.

WELLS, Edwin H., s. of Rodolphus and Harriet (Howard), b. 1853 in Conway; d. Oct. 28, 1905, as the result of staging giving way at the Baptist church in Shelburne Falls which he was painting. He was 52 years of age, had been active in the work

of the Grange, and was a man much interested in public affairs. He m. (1) Mar. 8, 1881, Emma L., dau. of Joseph and Louisa Nichols. She d. Apr. 27, 1888; (2) Jan. 28, 1890, Emma J., dau. of Graham K. Ward. She was b. 1850; d. Sept. 11, 1910. His mother, Harriet Wells, was the daughter of Martin and Polly (Brooks) Howard, b. in Charlemont in 1819, and d. in Buckland, Apr. 19, 1901, ae. 82 yrs. Had:

- i Daughter, b. Apr. 27, 1888.

WELLS, Henry C., d. Sept. 14, 1866, ae. 30 yrs.

WELLS, K. H., joined the second Baptist church in 1849 "by letter from Stephentown," no state given.

WELLS, Horace, m. Dorothy, dau. of William Taylor. She was b. in 1797.

WELLS, Pliney, d. July 27, 1867, ae. 76 yrs.; m. Kerenhappuch Purrington of Colrain. Children:

- i Mary M., m. — Morton of Buckland.
- ii John Milton, a Civil War veteran; resided in Greenfield; a shoe-merchant; d. Feb. 13, 1905, without children.
- iii Ambrose Dwight, became a physician; resided Palmer, Kansas.

WELLS, Moses (Elisha<sup>5</sup>, Joshua<sup>4</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Hugh<sup>1</sup>), b. July 9, 1771, in Greenfield; sett. in Buckland. Was a blacksmith.

WEISSMAN, see also WISSMAN.

WEISSMAN, John and Lucy, had:

- i Caspar, b. in Germany; m. in Buck., Nov. 2, 1879, Eva, dau. of John and Mary Merckle.

WESSMAN, Albin, name on the voting list of 1900.

WESSMAN, John A., and Albelena (Svenson), had:

- i Charles H., b. in Sweden; m. in Buck., Sept. 19, 1895, Josephine, dau. of John and Johana Johnson. She was b. in Sweden; d. Feb. 1, 1897, ae. 28 yrs.

WEST, Abigail, d. in Buckland, July 27, 1870, ae. 67 yrs.

WEST, Priscilla, b. in Conn., widow of Gershom of Gill; d. in Buck., Dec. 25, 1840, ae. 77 yrs. Son:

- i Christopher, d. in Buck.; Sept. 28, 1880, unm., ae. 79 yrs.

WHEELER, Harvey B., d. Sept. 27, 1866, ae. 27 yrs.

WHEELER, Isabella A., m. Dec. 22, 1870, Edwin C. Comstock of Shelburne Falls.

WHEELER, John M., s. of James and Candace (Stanford), b. Charlemont; d. in Buck., Oct. 22, 1900, ae. 75 yrs.; m. Rowena S. dau. of George and Sophronia (Ware) Veber, both of whom were b. in Buckland. She was b. in Charlemont; d. in Buckland, Sept. 30, 1921, ae. 87 yrs. Had:

- i Wayne C.

WHELDING, Joshua, was a Revolutionary soldier living in Buckland in 1832, ae. 75 yrs. He enlisted from Ashfield. A Joshua Whilder of Ashfield m. Apr. 13, 1797, Bethia Taylor of Buckland.

WHITE, Electa, m. Oct. 4, 1802, Josiah Thompson of Buckland.

WHITE, Mary, wife of John, d. Sept. 2, 1810, ae. 82 yrs.

WHITE, Melinda, pub. with Joseph Fuller, Sept. 16, 1818.

1 WHITE, Nathaniel (John<sup>3</sup>, Josiah<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Lancaster, 1725; d. Mar. 21, 1813; m. Nov. 25, 1749, Lydia, dau. of Edward and Mary (Bennet) Phelps. She was b. in Lancaster, Feb. 18, 1726 or 27; d. Feb. 2, 1802. Nathaniel White was a soldier in both the Colonial and Revolutionary Wars; went to Buckland with his son Levi, and d. there. Children:

- i Molly, bapt. Sept. 30, 1750; m. Jan. 9, 1771, Thomas Stearns; (2) Oct. 5, 1802, Gardner Wilder.
- ii Nathaniel, Jr., bapt. Aug. 9, 1752; m. Esther Brooks of Woburn; resided Peru.
- iii Lydia, bapt. Sept. 1, 1755; d. Sept. 1756.
- iv Prudence, b. Oct. 17, 1756; m. Jan. 26, 1780, Jacob Phelps; resided Lancaster and Leominster.
- v Eunice, bapt. Feb. 14, 1759; m. Samuel French.
- vi Ephraim, bapt. Apr. 19, 1761; Rev. sol.; m. Elizabeth Phillips of Lancaster; resided Westmoreland and Jaffrey, N. H.



- 2 vii Levi, bapt. Oct. 1, 1763.
- viii William, bapt. Jan. 19, 1766.
- ix Betty, bapt. Mar. 6, 1768; m. Kendall Boutelle; resided Fitchburg.

2 Levi, s. of Nathaniel(1), bapt. Oct. 1, 1763. When 16 years old enlisted from Lancaster in the Revolutionary service; d. June 15, 1832; m. Apr. 3, 1791, Polly (Mary), dau. of Dr. Enoch and Eunice (Richardson) Dole. She d. in Ellisburg, N. Y., July 20, 1838. He settled in Buckland where he filled many responsible positions, selectman, Justice of the Peace, Representative. Children:

- i Enoch, b. 1792; d. May 31, 1795.
- ii Levi, b. 1793; d. May 17, 1794.
- 3 iii Charles, b. 1795.
- iv Nathaniel, b. Sept. 24, 1797; m. twice and lived in Ellisburg, N. Y.
- v William, b. in Buckland, Sept. 17, 1799. When last heard from was living, with three sons, in New York City.
- vi Theodore, b. July 12, 1802; d. at Phelps Mills, N. Y., Jan. 10, 1848.
- vii Levi, b. May 4, 1804.
- viii Enoch R., b. June 1808; m.; d. at East Troy, N. Y., 1847.
- ix Bushnell, b. Buckland, Nov. 19 or 23, 1813; studied for the ministry, and later for the law. After a brilliant career, d. in Cleveland, Ohio, Apr. 25, 1885; m.; two children.

3 Charles, s. of Levi(2), b. 1795; d. July 30, 1832; m. Esther Russell with whom he was pub. June 26, 1819. She d. Nov. 20, 1824, ae. 27 yrs. Had:

- 4 i Charles Russell, b. Jan. 22, 1823.

4 Charles Russell, s. of Charles(3), b. in Buck., Jan. 22, 1823; d. Nov. 9, 1883; m. June 19, 1845, Fannie Patterson of Colrain. She was b. Jan. 24, 1823; d. May 4, 1893. They lived in Shelburne Falls. Children, b. in Buckland:

- i Charles E., Mar. 30, 1847; m. and lived in Shelburne Falls.

- ii Carrie, b. Apr. 1853; d. June 23, 1854.
- iii Addie M., b. Feb. 9, 1857; m. Herbert Newell of Buck.

WHITE, Sally, of Buckland, m. May 14, 1797, Marcus Cole of Conway.

WHITE, Thomas (b. Colrain), and Emily (b. at Windham, Vt.), had Eleanor, who d. May 28, 1875, ae. 15 yrs.

WHITE, Zebulon, Capt., so far as known not connected with the family of Nathaniel. His name was on the voting list of 1806; d. June 9, 1829, ae. 71 years. He m. (1) Alice Chase, who d. Nov. 1, 1823, ae. 70 yrs. His mar. int. with Filana Childs, a widow of Deerfield, was filed Jan. 10, 1825. By probate papers they were m. in Jan. 1825, and she brought to live with them a "son I had by my first husband, then about fourteen years of age. He lived with us till a little short of a year before Mr. White was killed." The son was also killed by being hooked in the eye by a cow. Children:

- i Polly, b. Apr. 11, 1782; m. Apr. 10, 1806, Reuben W. Field; d. May 15, 1808.
- ii Abigail L., b. Oct. 3, 1787; m. June 3 or 15, 1809, her brother-in-law, Reuben W. Field. She d. June 8, 1840.

1 WHITING, Jonathan (Oliver<sup>4</sup>, Oliver<sup>3</sup>, Rev. Samuel<sup>2</sup>, Rev. Samuel<sup>1</sup>, of Skerbeck, England in 1636; Boston, Mass., May 26, 1636; Lynn, Mass., Nov., 1636), b. Aug. 1, 1723, in Billerica, Mass., where he m. Dec. 14, 1749, Rebecca, dau. of Jacob Danforth; she was b. in 1725. They rem. to Buck. as early as 1784. Children:

- i Jonathan, b. Sept. 13, 1750.
- ii David, b. Dec. 1751; sett. in Greensboro, Md., abt. 1773.
- iii William, b. Nov. 28, 1753. "Sister Polly said, removed to 'Locke.'"
- iv Rebecca, b. Oct. 22, 1755; m. Capt. Abijah Snow (pub. Sept. 3, 1802) of Plainfield, where she d. soon after marriage.
- v Patty, bapt. June 6, 1760; res. Buck. in 1816, unm.
- 2 vi Jacob, b. June 1, 1762, at Billerica.

vii Ziba, b. May 25, 1764.

viii Oliver, bapt. Sept. 17, 1758 (Ch. Rec. Billerica.)

2 Jacob, s. of Jonathan(1), b. June 1, 1762 in Billerica; d. Dec. 28, 1835; served in the Revolutionary Army, enlisting from Shrewsbury, July 1, 1778, and at the age of 70 years received a pension. He m. Jan. 15, 1799, Lydia, dau. of Lt. William and Submit (Fiske) Putnam of Buck. She was b. Mar. 7, 1779; d. July 6, 1822; m. (2) in Halifax, Vt., Nov. 30, 1826, at the age of 64, his niece, Dencea Sabin, dau. of Nehemiah and Zilpha (Putnam) Sabin, she being then nineteen years of age. She m. (2) Martin M. Ballou. Children:

3 i Welcome, b. Oct. 16, 1799.

ii Hannah, b. Mar. 8, 1801; m. George Chapman, Oct. 30, 1825; d. May 12, 1858.

iii Patty, b. Dec. 28, 1802.

iv Emory, b. May 18, 1812; m. (1) Sept. 6, 1836, Emeline F. Smith. She d. Aug. 16, 1847; (2) Dec. 7, 1847, Hannah M. Town.

By second wife.

v Jacob Danforth, b. Apr. 16, 1830; m. Laura, dau. of Hosea Ballou.

3 Welcome, s. of Jacob(2), b. Oct. 16, 1799 in Buck.; d. Sept. 10, 1882; served as selectman; lived south of Buck. Center for many years, but late in life made his home with his daughter, Mrs. J. A. Richmond, at Shel. Falls, Buck. side. He m. Dec. 14, 1825, Susan, dau. of Joseph and Lydia (Harris) Wight, of Buck. She was b. Sept. 14, 1798; d. Dec. 31, 1840; m. (2) May 6, 1841, Mary J., dau. of Dea. Nathaniel and Mary (Grout) Newton of Hawley. She was b. in Spencer, Nov. 30, 1795; d. Apr. 17, 1848. Children:

4 i Joseph Wight, b. Feb. 4, 1827.

ii Susan E., b. Sept. 6, 1828; m. Mar. 1851, Josiah A. Richmond.

iii Lydia Ann, b. Oct. 6, 1832; m. Feb. 28, 1850, Joseph F. Smith of Ashfield; res. Shel. Falls; d. Aug. 19, 1867.

iv Sarah Amanda, b. Oct. 17, 1834; m. (1) Henry Martin Kellogg of Shel., Aug. 26, 1858; (2) Nov. 1, 1874, Oscar Bardwell of Shelburne; d. Dec. 28, 1906.



- v William P., b. Oct. 6, 1836; d. Dec. 24, 1861, unm.
- vi Harris W., b. Oct. 22, 1838; d. Aug. 14, 1860.
- vii Mary E., b. Oct. 31, 1840; d. Mar. 3, 1843.
- viii Eliza, b. 1841; d. Feb. 29, 1844.

4 Joseph Wight, s. of Welcome(3), b. Feb. 4, 1827; d. Mar. 13, 1907. He enlisted in the 52nd Regiment Mass. Vol., as a sergeant, in the Civil War; spent three years in the California gold mines; the rest of his life was spent in Buck. where he had served as a Selectman. For nearly twenty years was director of the Shelburne Falls Savings Bank. He m. Mar. 5, 1855, Diadama E., dau. of Elijah and Amanda Richmond; she was b. Apr. 25, 1832; d. Dec. 19, 1884. Children:

- i Alma E., b. Jan. 4, 1856; m. June 29, 1878, Samuel Elmer; res. Buck.; d. June 12, 1882.
- ii Charles W., b. Oct. 19, 1861; m. May 21, 1890, Minnie, dau. of Horace and Mary Barrett of Northampton, where he res. and d. May 16, 1921; a contractor and builder.
- iii Susie A., b. Sept. 9, 1865; m. June 11, 1890, Albert C. Bray.
- iv Edgar R., b. Mar. 5, 1870; m. Feb. 12, 1902, Anna Russell of Pittsfield where they reside. He is a jeweler.

1 WHITNEY, Eleazer, d. Feb. 12, 1888, ae. 85 yrs. He m. Nov. 4, 1829, Fanny, dau. of Capt. William Hook, at which time he was recorded as of Halifax, Vt. His wife Fanny, d. Feb. 7, 1888, ae. 82 yrs. Had:

- 2 i Elbert George, b. in Ashfield, Mar. 17, 1839.
- 3 ii Lebbeus, b. Ashfield; d. Buckland.

2 Elbert George, s. of Eleazer(1), b. in Ashfield, Mar. 17, 1839; d. May 18, 1895. He was here as early as 1869; m. Isabella I. Edgerton. Known children:

- i Daughter, b. Feb. 19, 1869.
- ii Bessie B., b. Dec. 6, 1877; d. May 9, 1878.

3 Lebbeus, s. of Eleazer(1), b. Ashfield; d. Buck. Children:

- i George Henry, b. Oct. 6, 1873.
- ii Charles, b. Oct. 4, 1875.

WHITNEY, Ebenezer M., s. of William who was b. in Marlboro, Vt., b. in Jackson, Penn.; d. Nov. 24, 1878, ae. 62 yrs.; m. Sarah Jane Hunt. Children:

- i Susan M., m. Wm. Hosley.
- ii William L.
- iii Eunice.
- iv Jennie H., m. Timothy Cronan.

WHITNEY, Jonathan, was admitted to the Congregational Ch. Aug. 7, 1787.

WHITNEY, Jotham, was here probably from about 1830 to 1870; m. Angeline —. Known children:

- i Milo, b. 1830; d. Sept. 15, 1834.
- ii George B., b. 1836; d. Mar. 25, 1838.
- iii Almira H., d. June 19, 1924, unm., ae. 82 yrs.
- iv Eleazer, b. Feb. 13, 1845.
- v Willard H., b. 1849; d. Sept. 26, 1861.
- vi Angeline, d. Sept. 13, 1861; ae. 10 yrs.

1 WIGHT, Joseph (Joseph<sup>6</sup>, Joseph<sup>5</sup>, Joseph<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Henry<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 2, 1767; d. Feb. 10, 1805; m. Dec. 31, 1792 or early the succeeding year, Lydia, dau. of John and Susanna (Gay) Harris of Dedham. She d. May 10, 1825. Lived in both Buck. and Shelburne Falls. Children:

- i Harris, b. May 2, 1794; d. Nov. 20, 1869. He m. abt. Dec. —, 1823, Elmina, dau. of Isaac and Jemima (Smith) Shepard of Ashfield. Was a carriage maker at "Upper City." Deacon.
- ii Electa, b. June 14, 1796.
- iii Susan, b. Sept. 14, 1798 in Norwich; m. Dec. 14, 1825, Welcome Whiting; d. Dec. 31, 1840.
- 2 iv Harvey, b. Jan. 31, 1801.
- v Joseph, Jr., b. Sept. 3, 1803; d. y.
- vi Joseph, Jr., b. June 2, 1805; m. Clarissa E. —, who d. Mar. 6, 1884; had: Clara J.

2 Harvey, s. of Joseph(1), b. Jan. 31, 1801; d. Nov. 25, 1840 or 1841. His wife was Patty —. She d. July 25, 1844, ae. 42 yrs. Children:

- i Sarah E., b. 1828; d. Sept. 12, 1834.

- ii Hannah Electa, b. 1830; d. July 2, 1846.
- iii H. Judson, b. 1833; d. Nov. 4, 1840.
- iv Martha Ellen.
- v S. Emeline.

WILCOX, Daniel Webster, b. Dec. 2, 1829 in Colrain; d. at Springfield, May 8, 1915. Was a member of the school committee, 1866; m. at Northfield Farms, May 30, 1865, Julia A. Nash. She was b. Oct. 4, 1833; d. Oct. 20, 1884. Children:

- i Clarence H., b. Sept. 4, 1867; d. Aug. 4, 1868.
- ii Charles Henry, b. July 2, 1869; res. Springfield.
- iii Ernest Nash, b. Mar. 9, 1871; res. Pleasantville, N. Y., a physician.
- iv Daniel W., Jr., b. Apr. 9, 1873; d. Apr. 12, 1873.

1 WILDE, John, s. of John and Eliza (Littlewood), b. in Sheffield, Eng.; d. Dec. 29, 1928, ae. 77 yrs.; sett. in Buckland abt. 1881. He m. Sept. 8, 1872, Ann Herring and they celebrated their fifty-sixth wedding anniversary, Sept. 8, 1928. Children, order unknown:

- i John T., b. Sheffield, Eng.; d. Buck., Oct. 11, 1931, ae. 58 yrs.; m. Dec. 21, 1904, Susan G., dau. of Alden and Nellie (Frery) Streeter of East Charlemont. Had: 1. Francis, res. Pittsfield; 2. Ralph S., res. Buck., unm.
- ii James W., b. Sheffield, Eng.; m. Mary Spottling of Shel. Falls; res. South River, N. J.
- iii Eliza, b. Eng.; m. Feb. 16, 1901, Samuel B. Ashton of Buck.
- 2 iv Fred b. Oct. 16, 1882 in England.
- v Sadie, b. Buck.; m. Harley J. Spaulsbury. Res. Shel. Falls.
- vi George, b. Mar. 5, 1885; d. Mar. 20, 1885.
- vii Ernest, b. Oct. 1, 1888; d. Apr. 14, 1903.
- 3 viii Earl, b. May 16, 1891 in Buck.
- ix Lillian, b. abt. 1893; m. Nov. 2, 1912, Wilfred Thieringer; res. Buck.
- x Wilfred, b. Dec. 14, 1895, in Buck.; resides Pawtucket, R. I.



2 Fred, s. of John(1), b. England, Oct. 16, 1882; m. May 12, 1903, Isabella B., dau. of William H. Walker of Buck. Res. North Street. Children:

- i Mildred, b. Nov. 28, 1903; m. Apr. 9, 1923, Harold J. Pyfrom, of Shelburne. Has: Harold John, b. Mar. 7, 1924.
- ii Mabelle, b. June 5, 1905; m. Nov. 26, 1927, Thomas Thackary. Has: Donald T. Thackary.
- iii Frederick, b. Aug. 22, 1907; m.; res. Brattleboro, Vt.
- iv Carlton E., b. Nov. 4, 1909; res. Buck.
- v Stanley H., b. July 13, 1913; d. Dec. 10, 1915.
- vi Lois Mae, b. Apr. 26, 1924.

3 Earl, s. of John(1), b. May 16, 1891; m. May 5, 1924, Ruth M., dau. of David Bliss. Resides State Street. Has:

- i Elliot Gordon, b. Apr. 3, 1929.

1 WILDER, Gardner (James<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup> of Leominster), m. June 30, 1736, Mary Phelps. She was b. 1718; d. Apr. 21, 1818. Their third child was:

- 2 Gardner, b. in Leominster in 1741.

2 Gardner, s. of Gardner(1), b. in Leominster in 1741, was one of the first settlers of Buckland about 1771. Signed a petition for the incorporation of the town, Dec. 11, 1778; served one month in the Revolutionary Army; m. (1) May 24, 1775, Thankful, dau. of Nathaniel Carter. She was b. in Leominster and d. in Buck.; m. (2) in Leominster, Oct. 5, 1802, Mrs. Molly Stearns, dau. of Nathaniel White of Leominster and Buck. Children:

- 3 i Gardner, b. Feb. 2 or 21, 1776.
- 4 ii Nathaniel, b. Dec. 30, 1777 in Buck.
- iii Prudence, b. Aug. 10, 1780; m. July 1, 1802, Barnet W. Dole; d. Apr. —, 1850.
- iv Polly, b. 1785; m. Oct. 5, 1808, Jabez Brooks; d. Dec. 31, 1865.

3 Gardner, s. of Gardner(2), b. Feb. 21, 1776; d. Apr. 25, 1838. The title "Captain" appears on his headstone; m. June 21 (24 by Ch. Rec.), 1802, Thankful, dau. of Ebenezer and Prudence (Carter) Colburn of Buckland. She was b. Nov. 16, 1774; d. May 14, 1852 (G. R.). Children:

- i Thankful, b. Aug. 9, 1803; d. Sept. 20, 1865.
  - ii Verona, b. Jan. 28, 1805; d. Nov. 22, 1865.
  - 5 iii Gardner, b. Apr. 28, 1807.
  - iv Ebenezer, b. Sept. 24, 1809; d. prob. 1855.
  - v Polly, b. Apr. 17, 1810; m. Apr. 17, 1834, Henry Taylor, Jr.
  - 6 vi Charles, b. Aug. 9, 1816.
- 4 Nathaniel, s. of Gardner(2), b. in Buck., Dec. 30, 1777. In 1828, removed to Livingston, N. Y., where he d. Apr. 5, 1842; m. 1801, Betsey Stearns of Leominster, who was b. Apr. 19, 1777; d. Apr. 5, 1856. Children:
- i Elisha, b. Oct. 4, 1802; d. June 6, 1809.
  - ii Betsey, b. Mar. 9, 1804; m. Feb. 12, 1826, David Warren.
  - iii Laura, b. Nov. 2, 1806; m. (1) Mar. 5, 1826, C. Warren; (2) Calvin Crosset; lived Livingston, N. Y.
  - iv Nancy, b. Nov. 15, 1808; d. Dec. 8, 1808.
  - v Nancy, b. Feb. 18, 1810; d. 1865.
  - vi Prudence, b. Dec. 24, 1811; d. July 20, 1826.
  - vii Nathaniel, b. Dec. 3, 1813; m. Nov. 3, 1848, Cecilia Payne.
  - viii Samuel, b. June 20, 1816; d. Apr. 1871.
  - ix William, b. May 3, 1819; became a Baptist minister.
- 5 Gardner, s. of Gardner(3), b. Apr. 28, 1807; d. Dec. 13, 1888; was representative in 1844; m. May 26, 1836, Fidelia, dau. of Joseph Griswold. She was b. Sept. 11, 1807; d. Mar. 29, 1847; m. (2) July 17, 1848, Mrs. Sarah Brackett. She was the daughter of Asa and Lydia Edgerton, and widow of Martin Brackett. She was b. Hawley; d. Dec. 22, 1883, ae. 71 yrs. Children:
- i Gardner A., b. Mar. 23, 1837; a physician; lived at Circleville, Ohio.
  - ii Lorenzo C., b. Nov. 5, 1838; lived at Lulling, Texas.
  - iii Jane E., b. Mar. 29, 1840; m. Hiram Davis of Buck.; lived Swampscott.
  - iv Joseph G., b. Sept. 22, 1841; d. in Civil War, June 19, 1863, at New Orleans, La.
  - v Mary F., b. Aug. 8, 1846; m. June 9, 1868, Asahel C. Hawks.

- vi Nellie A., b. Apr. 14, 1851; d. Feb. 25, 1923.
- 7 vii Charles A., b. June 4, 1859.
- 6 Charles, s. of Gardner(3), b. Aug. 9, 1816; d. Jan. 16, 1892; m. in 1855, Harriet E., dau. of Edmund and Julia Hartwell. She d. June 16, 1898, ae. 68 yrs. Children:
- 8 i Edmund G.  
ii Thankful, b. Feb. 4, 1857; d. Jan. 26, 1929, unm.  
iii Julia E., b. Oct. 25, 1859; m. Apr. 26, 1879, as second wife, Alton L. Pratt.  
iv Harriet P., b. Feb. 11, 1864; m. Sept. 28, 1901, Dwight P. Clark of Williamsburg.  
v Mary Verona, b. Feb. 2, 1866; m. Jan. 1, 1886, William R. Taylor.  
vi Gardner E., b. Jan. 7, 1867.
- 7 Charles A., s. of Gardner(5), b. June 4, 1859; m. Sept. 17, 1883, Eliza, dau. of Horace F. Taylor. She was b. Jan. 29, 1863. Children:
- i Philip Henry, b. Aug. 29, 1884.  
ii Maud Lydia, b. July 24, 1886; m. June 20, 1908, Linwood H. Elmer of Buck.  
iii Ernest Charles, b. Oct. 5, 1887; m. Dec. 31, 1915, Pearl C., dau. of Allison and Lillie (Wheeler) Smith of Buck. Has: 1. Francis A., b. Dec. 2, 1919.  
iv Margaret Edgerton, b. June 7, 1890; m. Oct. 5, 1915, Frank E. Hunt of Springfield. Res. Greenfield.  
v Ruth Gardner, b. Apr. 26, 1893; m. Dec. 18, 1917, Harry P. Ward.
- 9 vi Ralph Lucien, b. Apr. 11, 1896.  
vii Gardner A., b. Mar. 8, 1902; d. Mar. 13, 1902.  
viii Blanche E., b. June 27, 1906; m. June 12, 1926, Nelson E. Ward of Buck.  
ix Catherine M., b. Feb. 5, 1909; m. Dec. 28, 1928, Gardner L. Gould.
- 8 Edmund G., s. of Charles(6), b. in Buckland, where he lives; has been selectman; m. Nov. 27, 1901, Hattie Bertha, dau. of Albert and Harriet (Cook) Sanderson of Northampton and Buckland. Res. Buckland. Has:
- i Daughter, b. Oct. 31, 1903.



9 Ralph Lucien, s. of Charles A.(7), b. Apr. 11, 1896; m. Sept. 15, 1923, Sylvia Grace, dau. of Herbert and Grace (Dudley) Gould of Buckland. Children:

- i Beatrice Eliza, b. Sept. 9, 1924.
- ii Herbert Charles, b. Oct. 2, 1927.
- iii Jeannette Grace, b. Apr. 7, 1931.

WILDER, Mrs. Olive A., m. Jan. 15, 1850, James Trowbridge, both of Buck.

WILEY, Dolly F., dau. of Ebenezer and Catherine (Dunn), b. in Sunderland, Apr. 8, 1811; d. in Buck., Oct. 6, 1884, unm.  
1 WILEY, John, s. of Ebenezer and Catherine (Dunn), b. Sept. 11, 1813, in Sunderland; d. in Buck., Oct. 28, 1897; m. Feb. 25, 1836, Mary Ball, of Amherst. She d. Feb. 14, 1906. They came to Buckland about 1881 from Amherst. Children, b. in Sunderland:

- i Mary Elizabeth, b. Aug. 23, 1837; d. at Buck., Jan. 23, 1913, unm.
- ii Martha Catherine, b. Mar. 12, 1839; d. Oct. 30, 1865.
- 2 iii John Q. Adams, b. Nov. 4, 1842.
- 3 iv James Dunn, b. Aug. 8, 1845.
- v Charles Emory, b. Sept. 2, 1847; res. No. Amherst.
- vi Albert Wellington, b. June 4, 1849; d. Sept. 21, 1914; m. Nov. 16, 1871, Ella O. Cook of Austerlitz, N. Y., b. 1850; res. Whitingham, Vt., and Buckland. Had:  
1. John A. Wiley, m. Oct. 9, 1926 in Buck., Mattie H., dau. of James D. Wiley, his cousin. 2. William H., res. Pittsfield.
- vii Hattie Francelia, b. Dec. 1, 1856; d. July 18, 1857.

2 John Q. A., s. of John(1), b. in Sunderland, Nov. 4, 1842, was living in Buckland in 1900; d. there Jan. 14, 1910; m. Nov. 25, 1873, Sarah P., dau. of Zenas and Betsey (Adams) Clark of Cavendish, Vt. She was b. Oct. 15, 1844. Children:

- i Carlton Adams, b. Sept. 8, 1874; d. Aug. 10, 1918, unm.
- ii Homer Albert, b. Dec. 13, 1875; d. June 23, 1877.
- iii Lena Catherine, b. Mar. 4, 1879.

3 James Dunn, s. of John(1), b. Sunderland, Aug. 8, 1845; d. in Buck., Feb. 10, 1913; m. Mar. 4, 1873, Mary L., dau. of Asa

and Cordelia (Cummings) Wood, who was b. in Hadley and d. in Buck., May 6, 1907, ae. 55 yrs. From Sunderland they went first to Whitingham, Vt., then to Buckland. Children:

- i Ida Francelia, twin, b. Nov. 25, 1873; d. Sept. 14, 1874.
- ii Ada Cordelia, twin, b. Nov. 25, 1873; m. May 23, 1894, Walter Austin Wells.
- iii Edith May, b. July 11, 1875; m., as second wife, June 28, 1930, Perley C. Bronson.
- iv Fred James, twin, b. Mar. 15, 1879, in Whitingham, Vt.; m. Aug. 10, 1912, Margaret, dau. of Richard and Anna (Mitchell) Glass, of Buck.; res. North Brookfield.
- v Frank D., twin, b. in Whitingham, Vt., Mar. 15, 1879; m. May 31, 1913, Mary C., dau. of James and Mary Smith. Res. North Brookfield.
- vi Mattie H., b. in Whitingham, Vt., Dec. 17, 1886; m. in Buck., Oct. 9, 1926, John A. Wiley, s. of Albert W., both residents of Buckland.

WILKEE, John, Jr. The 1790 Census lists him as of Buckland, with one male over sixteen and seven females. In the Mass. State Pauper Account for 1805, Buckland was allowed, "For Boarding, nursing, and Doctoring John Wilkie to his death, including funeral charges to June 1, 1805, \$100.65. one hundred Dollars and 65 cents."

WILLIAMS, Annie, daus. of Apollos and Annis (Smith), b. in Ashfield; d. in Buck., July 19, 1899, ae. 83 yrs., unkm.

WILLIAMS, Carl, name appears on voting list of 1900, a butter-maker, b. Shelburne; m. Emma —, who was b. in Vt. Children:

- i Daughter, b. Nov. 12, 1901.
- ii Ralph R., b. May 9, 1907.

1 WILLIAMS, Charles Harry, s. of Joseph and Hannah, was b. in Warwick; d. in Buck., July 31, 1904, ae. 76 yrs. The name of his first wife is unknown. He m. (2) Sept. 23, 1885, Mrs. Orpha Peebles, dau. of Ira and Adelia Ewings. Had:

- i Charles L., res. Orange.
- 2 ii Frank E., b. Buck., Oct. 6, 1859.

2 Frank E., s. of Charles H.(1), b. Buck., Oct. 6, 1859; d. May 16, 1920; m. Sept. 11, 1881, Nina A., dau. of Chester Elmer. She was b. in Shaftsbury, Vt., Oct. 17, 18—, now resides Buck. Children:

- i Raymond C., b. Oct. 27, 1883.
- ii Harold Elmer, b. June 16, 1890.

1 WILLIAMS, Ephraim, b. in New Ipswich, N. H.; d. in Buck., Nov. 26, 1846, ae. 60 yrs.; m. Mary W., dau. of Dea. Tobey; Int., pub. Nov. 30, 1814, says she was of Hawley. She d. in Buck., Aug. 27, 1851, ae. 58 yrs. The names of his children are taken from his will. Children:

- i Rhoda B., b. Dec. 17, 1815; m. Nov. 7, 1831, Abijah P. Thayer; d. Nov. 3, 1890.
- ii Mary T., m. Alvan Parsons; d. Mar. 15, 1897, ae. 78 yrs.
- iii Noah Dickinson, was selectman and overseer of the poor; d. Nov. 22, 1899; m. in Dalton, Nov. 10, 1852, Elizabeth, dau. of Jesse Colman of Buck. She d. Apr. 29, 1895, ae. 79 yrs.
- 2 iv Ephraim B.
- v Catherine, m. Nov. 29, 1849, then aged 29 yrs., Joseph Sears of Ashfield.
- vi Elizabeth C., m. June 1, 1848, Dan Townsley, Jr.; d. Mar. 4, 1881, ae. 58.
- vii Lucy C., m. July 1, 1847, Lewis T. Covell; d. Apr. 4, 1882, ae. 58 yrs.
- viii Ann J., d. in Buck., June 5, 1907, ae. 80.
- ix Rebecca.
- x Cordelia S.
- xi Loretta.
- xii Deborah, m. Theodore Field.

Rhoda B. and Mary T., are spoken of as the two eldest daughters. The order of the children's births is as given in estate papers.

2 Ephraim B., s. of Ephraim(1), served the town as selectman and assessor; m. Josephine ——. Had:

- i Inez, d. Sept. 30, 1863, ae. 5 yrs. 11 mos.
- ii Charles H. (perhaps), d. Dec. 7, 1870, ae. 5 yrs.
- iii Son, b. July 14, 1868.



1 WILLIAMS, Edwin, b. 1812, lived in Hawley and Ashfield; d. Buckland, Apr. 22, 1870; m. Eliza Shaw, who was b. 1818; d. Apr. 5, 1853, ae. 35 yrs. Children:

- i Mary E., b. Ashfield, Jan. 31, 1839; m. Nov. 11, 1858, Horace F. Taylor. She d. Dec. 1, 1919.
- 2 ii Edwin Preston, b. (prob. in Buck.), May 2, 1847.
- 3 iii William S., b. Hawley, Apr. —, 1850.
- iv Sarah F., m. George F. Taylor.

2 Edwin P., s. of Edwin(1), b. May 2, 1847; d. Feb. 6, 1910; was a drover and farmer, a progressive man and one of the few who developed the great apple growth in "Apple Valley," Ashfield, where he always made his home; m. (1) Nov. 18, 1868, Emerette A., dau. of Hoyt Smith; she d. 1882; m. (2) Ardella E. Bradford, who was b. 1852; d. 1930. Had:

- i Alta, m. Fred Townsley.

3 William S., s. of Edwin(1), b. in Hawley, Apr. —, 1850; d. Sept. 2, 1930; m. Mar. 26, 1870, Emma J., dau. of Silas and Jane E. Bigelow, b. 1850, and soon after, came to Buckland. He was prominent in town affairs, serving for twenty-five years as assessor and for fourteen years of that time as chairman; sixteen years as selectman and six of that period as chairman. On Mar. 26, 1930, Mr. and Mrs. Williams celebrated their sixtieth wedding anniversary. Children:

- i Walter B., b. Feb. 1, 1871; d. Feb. 23, 1871.
- ii Flora J., b. Dec. 13, 1872; m. Dec. 20, 1891, Harry F. Guilford; res. Greenfield.
- iii Robert Edwin, b. Sept. 27, 1880; m. Oct. 17, 1900, Winifred Ruth, dau. of Robert and Clara (Clark) Howes of Ashfield. They have: 1. Francis R., b. July 7, 1915. 2. Harry.

WILLIAMS, E., m. Nov. 4, 1859, Lucy Upton, both of Buckland.

WILLIAMS, Salome C., m. Ozias Long of Shelburne, Oct. 21, 1858.

WILLIS, Henry M., and wife Abigail Maria, adopted June 4, 1864, Abigail, dau. of Jones B. and Lucretia Ann Thomas of Cheshire, N. H. She was b. in Hinsdale, N. H., Aug. 15, 1861.

WILLIS, Joab of Buckland, d. Aug. 4, 1870. His wife probably died before him; m. (1) Mary, dau. of Rufus and Keziah Hall, b. Hawley; m. (2) Sylvia, dau. of Rufus and Keziah Hall, b. Hawley, Jan. 29, 1812. Children:

- i Josephine, b. Oct. 24, 1854, lived in Charlemont.
- ii Henry Clinton, b. Apr. 22, 1847 in Charlemont; m. Ida Melissa Hathaway; res. Riverside, Col., where he d.

WILLIS, Mr. and wife, d. in 1830. (Second Baptist church record.)

WILLIS, Noah, was b. in Taunton and was a voter in Buckland in 1806; d. in Buck., Mar. 18, 1863, ae. 91 yrs. He settled in the east part of the town in 1803; moved in 1845 to Ashfield; m. Rachel Star or Stacy, who was b. in Taunton, d. Feb. 22, 1853, ae. 75 yrs. A newspaper record gives the death in Buckland, of Noah Willis, Aug. 16, 1830, ae. 89 yrs. The name of Noah, Jr., appears on the voting lists, and it is probable that these two were father and son. Children:

- i Lydia, b. Nov. 26, 1814; m. May 24, 1850, Pearly P. Sanderson.
- ii Horace, d. Apr. 22, 1831, ae. 14 yrs.
- iii Rachel, d. July 22, 1881, ae. 74 yrs., unm.
- iv Phebe, d. Apr. 29, 1909, unm., ae. 89 yrs., 10 mos.
- v Tirzah, d. —, Jan. 4, 1887, ae. 76, unm.; res. Buckland.
- vi Pheba, res. Buckland.
- vii Martha, m. — Howes.

1 WILLIS, Ozias, d. Feb. 5, 1845, ae. 31 yrs.; m. 1834, Esther, dau. of David and Polly (Belding) Edson of Buckland; she m. (2) Dec. 12, 1849, Abram Shippee of Ashfield, went to Colrain and d. Apr. 25, 1911. Children:

- i Horace, b. Apr. 9, 1836.
- ii Daughter, b. Jan. 26, 1838; d. y.
- 2 iii Franklin R., b. Dec. 25, 1840.
- iv William, b. Nov. 7, 1843.
- v Ozias, b. Feb. 7, 1846, res. Calif.

2 Franklin R., s. of Ozias(1), b. Dec. 25, 1840; d. Jan. 3, 1921. Was a Civil War veteran; m. Betsey O. Williams. She d. Feb. 18, 1899, ae. 58 yrs. Res. Buckland Four Corners. Had:

- i William O., m. Ella Scott.
- ii Charles E., m. Gertrude P. Phelps of Savoy; and d. Mar. 15, 1914. Children: 1. Winnie; 2. Roger. One was b. June 8, 1868.

WILSON, Capt. Elias A., had a son, b. Feb. 3, 1852.

WILSON, Wilfred, on the 1900 voter's list, s. of Joseph and Elizabeth (Barrett), b. in England; m. in Buck., Aug. 27, 1896, Salome, dau. of John G. and Elizabeth Witzeman.

1 WINTERHALDER, Christian, b. Germany; a cutler; m. Rosa (also given Roxana), dau. of Simon Hartman. She was b. Germany; d. in Buck., Apr. 18, 1913, ae. 74 yrs. Children:

- i Louis William, b. Apr. 26, 1880; d. Jan. 16, 1881.
- ii Emma, b. Aug. 17, 1874; d. Aug. 7, 1875.
- 2 iii Probably Herman C., b. May 20, 1871.
- iv Daughter, b. Apr. 1, 1870. (Probably.)

2 Herman C., s. of Christian and Rosa, prob. s. of Christian(1) above, b. Buck.; m. (aged 22 years), May 17, 1893, Minnie, dau. of Merrit Miller, who was b. in Mich. Had:

- i Ruth H., b. June 16, 1894.

1 WINTERHALDER, Matthais, s. of Lorenz, and Anna M. (Witzeman), b. in Germany; a cutler, d. in Buckland, Jan. 24, 1904, ae. 70 yrs.; m. Johanna Geiger, b. in Germany. They were in town as early as 1874. Children:

- 2 i John Christian, b. in Germany about 1860.
- 3 ii Henry R., b. in Buck.
- iii Caroline Elizabeth, b. Mar. 5, 1874 in Buck.; m. Sept. 19, 1905, John F. Bitzer, Jr.; lived Shelburne; d. Nov. 2, 1931.
- iv Rosa L., b. June 27, 1878; m. Jan. 26, 1910, H. S. Flansburg of Buck. Res. Greenfield.
- v Herman O. Res. Greenfield.

2 John Christian, s. of Matthais(1), b. in Germany about 1860; came to town about 1872; d. Mar. 17, 1932; m. May 24, 1883,



Rosa A., dau. of Frederick and Eva Bickel, who d. Jan. 10, 1926. Had:

- i Frederick H., b. Mar. 14, 1884; res. West Haven, Conn.
- ii Anna C., b. Mar. 16, 1886; m. (1) Mar. 22, 1905, William Touseal, resided Shelburne; m. (2) July 20, 1910, Robert A. March.

3 Henry R., s. of Matthais(1), b. in Buck.; m. (1) May 11, 1889, Minnie, dau. of Peter and Mary (Byron) Murphy; m. (2) Oct. 27, 1898, Mrs. Lottie G., widow of Oswald Heathcote, and dau. of Marcus Purrington of Buckland. She was b. in Vt., and d. in Buckland, Dec. 5, 1899. He resided, in 1931, in Meriden, Conn. Had:

- i Son, b. Nov. 25, 1899.

WINTERHALDER, John C., and Mary L. (Dant), prob. rem. to Red Oak, Iowa. Children:

- i Bertha A., b. 1871 in Burlington, Ia.; m. Apr. 12, 1892, Ernest C. Frost; res. Waltham.  
Probably also Molly, b. in or about 1870; and Betty, b. in or about 1872.

WISSMAN, see WEISSMAN.

1 WISSMAN (WEISSMAN), Martin J., s. of John, b. in Greenfield; d. in Buckland, Oct. 12, 1892, ae. 40 yrs. His wife Rosa (name also given Christeina) Peffer, d. before him. Children:

- 2 i Edward A., b. Aug. 7, 1874.
- ii Matilda A., b. Aug. —, 1879.
- 3 iii Frederick W., b. Nov. 30, 1881.

2 Edward A., s. of Martin J.(1), b. in Deerfield; d. in Buck., July 17, 1922, ae. 47 yrs. He was in Buckland before 1900; m. May 23, 1900, Lillian R., dau. of Frederick and Eliza (Marsden) Hallam. Had:

- i Ronald Edward, b. Mar. 16, 1901; m. Apr. 25, 1925, Leona B., dau. of John and Margaret (Luippold) Haller of Buckland.

3 Frederick W., s. of Martin J.(1), b. Nov. 30, 1881; m. Oct. 11, 1905, Emma, dau. of Simon and Caroline (Calvert) Koch of Buckland. Children:

- i Linwood, b. June 15, 1906.
- ii Caroline, b. June 4, 1909.
- iii Edward Williams, b. May 5, 1912.
- iv Helen, b. July 31, 1913.

1 Wood, James, b. in Rowley, 1728, rem. to Buckland, abt. 1750 (Family notes); m. Unity Goss. In an old deed dated Feb. 29, 1760, James Wood of Uxbridge buys land in Buckland of Edmund Rawson of Uxbridge "Land in Hunts town" (Ashfield, later Buck.), "which I [Rawson] purchased of Beriah Chilson at that time of Uxbridge." Children, order unknown:

- 2 i John, b. Mar. 12, 1753.
- 3 ii Amos, b. Aug. 22, 1757.
- iii Mary, b. after 1757.
- iv Sarah, b. after 1757.
- v Hannah, b. after 1757.
- vi Child, b. Feb. 13, 1763.
- vii Susannah, b. Dec. 21, 1764.
- viii Jane, b. Dec. 17, 1766.

Said to have been seven others.

2 John, s. of James(1), b. Mar. 12, 1753; m. Susannah Temple, May 12, 1779. Family in 1790 contained three males under sixteen, three females. Name on voting list of 1822. Children:

- i John, Jr., m. Dec. 8, 1811, Mary Warren of Shelburne.
- 4 ii Lyman, b. Sept. 14, 1793.
- 5 iii Ezra, twin, b. Dec. 2, 1798.
- iv Joel, twin, b. Dec. 2, 1798.

3 Amos, s. of James(1), b. Aug. 22, 1757; d. Nov. 24, 1841; was a Revolutionary sol. enlisting from Upton; a blacksmith by trade; lived in the east part of the town "near the Rachel Chapin place." His widow, Lovisa Taylor, d. May 5, 1853, ae. 85 yrs. Had fifteen children. While it is not positive, the following may have been of this family:

- i Theodocius, who was a voter in 1822, settled in Warrensville, O.; m. Betsey, dau. of Josiah Johnson, no children.
- ii Hannah, m. June 12, 1806, Blodgett Fuller, of Buck.
- iii Lucretia, m. May 11, 1812, Joseph Fuller of Ashfield.
- iv Nichodemas, a voter in 1806.

- v John, a voter in 1806.
  - vi Simeon, a voter in 1806.
  - vii Rachel, m. Zephaniah Lathrop of Hawley.
  - viii James, whose name appears in the 1790 census with no family.
  - ix Temperance, who m. Henry W. Locke. He was b. Jan. 22, 1805.
- 4 Lyman, s. of John(2), b. Sept. 14, 1793; d. Oct. 27, 1867; m. May 6, 1824, Almira E., dau. of Capt. William Hook. She was b. Apr. 11, 1803; d. Aug. 22/23, 1888. Children:
- i Eveline C., b. Feb. 6, 1825; m. Dec. 31, 1846, Justus B. Frost.
  - ii William, twin, b. June 2, 1826.
- 6 iii Theodore, twin, b. June 2, 1826.
- iv Olive A., b. Apr. 23, 1828; m. William P. Townsley of Shelburne Falls.
  - v Almira, b. 1830; d. June 10, 1832.
  - vi Eugene Wellington, b. May 16, 1832; m. (1) Nov. 24, 1852, Lurella M., dau. of Hiram Richmond. She d. June 16, 1865, ae. 31 yrs.; m. (2) May 22, 1866, Luna K. Allis of Conway; res. Easthampton.
  - vii Amelia F., b. Apr. 16, 1834; m. Alanson A. Richmond of Charlemont, Sept. 22, 1852.
  - viii Edward Everett, b. Aug. 15, 1836; res. Northampton.
  - ix Alzametta E., b. Sept. 16, 1842; m. Nov. 19, 1867, Charles H. Day of Ashfield.
- 7 x Montrose, b. Sept. 13, 1845.
- xi Hermonie Adela, b. Jan. 7, 1850; d. Jan. 22, 1873.
- 5 Ezra, s. of John(2), twin, b. Dec. 2, 1798; d. June 12, 1841; his wife, Hannah, d. Jan. 1, 1832. Children:
- i Infant son, b. Dec. 1, 1821.
  - ii Ezra Dwight, d. Oct. 25, 1825, ae. 5 yrs.
  - iii Infant son, d. Dec. 28, 1831.
- 6 Theodore, s. of Lyman(4), b. June 2, 1826; m. Oct. 12, 1848, Lucy, dau. of Emmons Pratt. Children:
- i Juan, b. Dec. 16, 1853.
- 8 ii Frank J.





THEODORE WOOD, Jeweler



His wife, LUCY PRATT WOOD

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7 Montrose, s. of Lyman(4), b. Sept. 3, 1845; m. Eunice Parsons. Had:

- i Eugene Wellington, b. May 5, 1872.

8 Frank J., s. of Theodore(6), m. Jan. 29, 1880, Lizzie M., dau. of Robert and Submit Fellows. Children:

- i Robert Fellows, b. Aug. 16, 1883; m. Elizabeth Knight of Marblehead, Oct. 12, 1909. Resides Narberth, Penna.

9 ii Frank Sidney, b. July 26, 1886.

iii Howard Holmes, b. Sept. 3, 1889; m. Ruth Elnora Erickson, June 20, 1920; res. Amherst.

iv Donald Guilford, b. Shelburne, May 20, 1895; m. Elizabeth Monahan, Aug. 4, 1919; res. Shelburne.

v Lucy Pratt, b. in Shelburne, Dec. 6, 1896; m. Edward S. Decker, of Springfield, Oct. 17, 1923.

9 Frank Sidney, s. of Frank J.(8), b. July 26, 1886; m. Maud Ella, dau. of Gilbert and Laura E. (White) Tower of Buck. Res. Shel. Falls, where he has a sales stable. Children:

- i Frank Theodore, b. in Shel., Apr. 12, 1913; res. Calif., unm.

ii Ella White, b. in Shel., Nov. 1, 1914.

Wood, Grace L., m. Sept. 9, 1829, Edwin Ward of Ashfield.

Wood, Martha J., wife of Adlon, dau. of Jason and Serepta (Hawks) King, was b. in Conway and d. in Buckland, Apr. 2, 1920, ae. 75 yrs.

Wood, Nettie E., dau. of Joseph and Lucy D., d. Feb. 14, 1866, ae. 3 yrs.

Wood, Theodocius, was chosen, Jan. 9, 1832, as guardian for Henry Wood of Buckland, a son of David Wood of Yonkers, N. Y., then over 14 yrs. of age.

Woods, Michael, b. in Ireland; d. in Buckland, by violence, Jan. 22, 1875, ae. 40 yrs.

Woods, Patrick H., s. of James and Rose (McDonald), b. in Belfast, Ireland; section foreman; d. Aug. 22, 1918, ae. 70 yrs.; m. Rosa Anna Connors, b. in Northfield, Vt., dau. of Patrick and Margaret<sup>3</sup>(Flannigan). She d. May 13, 1910, ae. 58 yrs. Children:



- i Elizabeth M., b. Aug. 29, 1884; m. May 29, 1906, Edward O'Neil of Buckland. She d. Apr. 1, 1931.
- ii Matthew, b. May 28, 1887; stationed at the Navy Yard, Washington, D.C.
- iii James, d. Jan —, 1902; prob. unm.
- iv William E., res. Shel. Falls.

WOODS, William, was on the voting list of 1900.

1 WOODWARD, Ebenezer (Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>1</sup>), b. 1732; m. July 27, 1758, Mary Willis. Children, b. in Taunton:

- i Ebenezer, settled in Conway.
- ii David (perhaps Daniel).
- 2 iii James.
- 3 iv Henry.
- 4 v Spencer.
- vi Anne, m. Abijah Babbitt.
- vii Mary, m. John Taylor.

2 James, s. of Ebenezer(1), b. Taunton; name was on the voting list of Buck. in 1806. Only known child:

- i James, Jr., whose name was also on the voting list of 1806.

3 Henry, s. of Ebenezer(1), b. in Taunton. His will was probated, Feb. 13, 1816. By Thayer Gen. Henry Woodward m. Azuba, dau. of Elijah and Lydia Thayer, who was pr. the first wife of this Henry. He m. (2) Jan. 23, 1806, Rachel Houghton of Buckland, who d. Nov. 29, 1851, ae. 86 yrs. Children, order unknown:

- i Almira.
- ii Henry, b. Taunton, Apr. 10, 1789; d. July 25, 1868, at Rutland, N. Y.; m. Feb. 21, 1815, Susanna, dau. of Josiah Johnson; sett. first at Buckland, later removing to Rutland, N. Y.
- iii Barnabas.
- iv Allen, b. Buck., Dec. 4, 1798; rem. to Antwerp, N. Y. before marriage.
- v Amasa, pub. with Abigail Clark, Nov. 25, 1815.
- vi Azuba, pub. Dec. 22, 1806, with John Vebber of Buckland.

- vii Polly.
- viii Lydia, pub. Nov. 6, 1817 with James Clark, Jr.
- ix Betsey.
- x Clarissa.

4 Spencer, s. of Ebenezer(1), b. in Taunton, was in Buck. soon after 1790, with his wife Abigail, four children and his mother, Mary (Willis). He d. Jan. 14, 1837; wife Abigail, d. Aug. 15, 1855, ae. 93 yrs. Children, order undetermined:

- i Spencer.
- ii Abigail, pub. Aug. 23, 1806, with Perron Vebber of Rutland, N. Y.
- iii Ebenezer, b. Oct. 17, 1787; m. Sept. 17, 1812, Sylvia, dau. of Josiah Johnson of Buckland; sett. Rutland, N. Y.
- 5 iv Eliphaz, b. Nov. 19, 1789.
- 6 v Bildad, b. in Buckland, Mar. 7, 1793.
- 7 vi Zophar, b. Buckland, Sept. 9, 1800.
- 8 vii Job, b. Sept. 14, 1804.

5 Eliphaz, s. of Spencer(4), b. Nov. 19, 1789; d. Dec. 7, 1846 in Buck. Selectman and over-seer of the poor; assessor; m. Jan. 18, 1816, Joana, dau. of Abner and Esther (Fuller) Veber of Buckland. She was b. Aug. 19, 1796 (1797 G. S.); d. Jan. 14, 1877. Children:

- i Joanna, b. Dec. 30, 1816; m. Dec. 17, 1834, Chandler Clark.
- ii Lura, b. Oct. 25, 1818; m. Daniel, s. of James Clark, Oct. 27, 1836; d. 1909.
- 9 iii Eliphaz, b. June 2, 1820.
- iv Esther, b. Feb. 4, 1822; m. June 23, 1842, Elisha Thayer of Ashfield.
- v Betsey, b. Dec. 26, 1823; m. (1) Oct. 26, 1842, William F. Brewster; (2) 1856/7, Alanson V. Ward.
- 10 vi Abner, b. Oct. 16, 1825.
- vii Sophronia, b. June 10, 1828; m. Oct. 15, 1857, Samuel Coleman (W. O. Taylor says, "perhaps the first wife of Jesse Coleman, m. at Charlemont, Oct. 15, —").
- 11 viii Spencer, b. May 29, 1830 or 31.

- ix Abigail, b. July 5, 1832; m. Apr. 10, 1851, John D. Hamilton.
- 12 x Wesley, b. Aug. 6, 1834.
  - xi Austin, b. July 6, 1836; d. Aug. 17, 1838.
  - xii Child, b. Apr. 22, 1839; d. May 7, 1839.
  - xiii Winsor, b. Apr. 23, 1843; m. Jan. 1, 1865, Mary E. Jones. Civil War veteran; d. Sept. 25, 1925, ae. 81 yrs. Children: 1. Alice, m. — Bridges. 2. Clarence, whose name was changed to Ward.
- 6 Bildad, s. of Spencer(4), b. Mar. 7, 1793 in Buck.; m. Dec. 27, 1818, Lydia, dau. of Josiah Johnson of Buckland. They rem. to Rutland, N. Y., where they had at least seven children. Names only of those connected with Buckland are here given. Children:
  - 13 vii Zophar, b. in Rutland, N. Y., Nov. 27, 1829.
  - 14 viii Emory E., b. Dec. 23, 1847 in N. Y. state.
- 7 Zophar, s. of Spencer(4), b. Sept. 9, 1800, in Buck.; d. Aug. 22, 1840; m. Amanda, dau. of Ariel Ware, Feb. 2, 182-. She was b. Nov. 4, 1804; d. Oct. 20, 1897. Children:
  - i Cynthia, b. Aug. 30, 1825; m. Reuben Streeter.
  - ii Azuba, b. Oct. 13, 1826; d. Aug. 5, 1840.
  - iii Andrew, b. Nov. 20, 1828; d. Jan. 14, 1829.
- 15 iv Philip R.
  - v Lucy, b. Nov. 22, 1833; d. Aug. 12, 1840.
  - vi Tirzah E., b. Sept. 10, 1836; m. Oct. 11, 1862, Jude C. King; d. June 30, 1916.
  - vii Joab.
  - viii Zophar C., b. July 16, 1840; d. Nov. 20, 1921; a veteran of the Civil War; member of Odd Fellows, and Knights of Pythias; m. Mrs. Helen (Kirkland) Dunham. She was b. 1839; d. 1923.
- 8 Job, s. of Spencer(4), b. Sept. 14, 1804; d. Apr. 18, 1882. Selectman and over-seer of the poor; m. Oct. 15, 1829, Huldah, dau. of Ariel Ware. She was b. Nov. 14, 1807; d. July 18, 1888. Children:
  - 16 i Ariel, b. May 1, 1831.
  - ii Huldah Submit, b. Oct. 11, 1832; m. Robert B., son of Igal Fellows of Shelburne, Nov. 30 or Dec. 6, 1854.



- iii Lydia, b. Mar. 25, 1837; m. May, 1854, James H., son of Isaac and Harriet (Lyons) Woodward, who was b. Jan. 11, 1832; res. Ilion, N. Y.
- iv Diadama, b. Feb. 17, 1839; m. Jesse Morse as his second wife; d. in Buck., May 6, 1909.
- v Martin V., b. Oct. 2, 1842; m. May 1865, Medora, dau. of John and Charlotte Veber. Lived Charlemont.
- vi Luellan Amanda, b. July 25, 1845; d. Jan. 4, 1848.
- vii Sarah Loraine, b. Aug. 17, 1847; m. Aug. —, 1865, Jonathan S. Trivett, of Ilion, N. Y.
- viii Fanny C., b. Jan. 23, 1850; m. Nov. 28, 1869, Joseph P. Duchane; d. in Gloversville, N. Y., Sept. 14, 1892.
- ix Son (probably), b. Dec. 17, 1860.

9 Eliphaz, s. of Eliphaz(5), b. June 2, 1820. He was a veteran of the Civil War; a stone mason by trade; d. May 1, 1884; m. (1) June —, 1848 (Sept. 13 by Greenfield Gazette and Courier), Mary D. Maynard, who was b. 1830; d. 1851; m. (2) Mar. 30, 1853, Susan Eliza (Swan), widow of George Winslow. Children:

- i Ellen R., m. Mar. 10, 1885, Albert Bryant.
- ii Louis.
- iii Mary, b. May 4, 1854; m. Mar. 10, 1881, Henry D. Nims of Orange.
- iv Vernia.
- v Alma.
- vi Herbert, b. Oct. 29, 1859.

10 Abner, s. of Eliphaz(5), b. Oct. 16, 1825; d. Oct. 21, 1905; m. Nov. 7, 1849, Sarah Evelyn, dau. of Levi and Sarah Stetson of Plainfield. She d. June 6, 1911, ae. 79 yrs. Children:

- i Charles L., d. Apr. 2, 1918, ae. ab. 56 yrs., unm.
- ii Eva, b. 1852; d. Oct. 29, 1872.
- iii Allen D., b. Sept. 26, 1862.
- iv George H., of Buckland.

11 Spencer, s. of Eliphaz(5), b. May 29, 1830 or 31; d. Oct. 28, 1910; m. Sept. 22, 1850, Julia, dau. of Mantor and Lucy (Field) Ware. She was b. Apr. 13, 1833; d. Aug. 1, 1911. Children:

- i Adella E., b. 1854; d. Nov. 14, 1863.

- 17    ii   Orion L., b. Sept. 15, 1857.
- iii   Nelson C., b. July 9, 1863; keeper of the Fire Station at Mt. Massamet, Shelburne Falls; m. Apr. 1, 1929, Maud Gardner of Greenville, Tenn.
- iv   Attella C., b. Sept. 17, 1874; m. Apr. 22, 1893, Henry B. Wells, of Buckland. He was b. Feb. 9, 1867; d. June 5, 1931.

12 Wesley, s. of Eliphaz(5), b. Aug. 6, 1834; d. Dec. 20, 1921; a Civil War veteran; for many years was night watchman and chief of police; m. (1) Mar. 29, 1864, Annette A., dau. of James M. and Mary (Jewett) Crafts, who d. Oct. 7, 1871; m. (2) Nov. 9, 1878, Isabel V., dau. of James and Sarah (King) Eddy. She d. May 21, 1926, ae. 79 yrs. Children:

- i    Effie Estelle, b. Mar. 12, 1865; m. George Dodge.
- ii   Paul Ernest, b. Aug. 6, 1870; d. May 8, 1871.
- iii  Wayne, b. July 29, 1871.

13 Zophar, s. of Bildad(6), b. in Rutland, N. Y., Nov. 27, 1829; d. in Buck., May 5, 1903; m. Nov. 16, 1853, Sarah J., dau. of John McNeil of Philadelphia, N. Y. She d. Apr. 4, 1899. Zophar Woodward returned to Buckland to make his home and became a well-known, influential man, one who was often consulted by his fellow citizens upon important matters. He was chairman of the selectmen for seven years, assessor, and president of the Shelburne Falls Creamery, which he established on the Buckland side of the river. Children:

- i    Mary L., b. Sept. 4, 1854; res. Buckland.
- ii   Herbert N., b. Feb. 11, 1860; d. Sept. 24, 1863.
- iii  Merton Z., b. Jan. 27, 1866; m. Nov. 10, 1888, Ida M., dau. of Ransom and Sarah Streeter of Shelburne. Res. Shelburne Falls.

14 Emory E., s. of Bildad(6), b. in N. Y. state; m. Aug. 29, 1868, Elizabeth, dau. of Enos Dole of Buck., rem. to Hoosick, N. Y. Children:

- i    Archidell, b. Jan. 1, 1872.
- ii   Winifred E., b. Apr. 21, 1874.
- iii  Florence E., b. Nov. 6, 1877; d. Sept. 11, 1879 in Buck.
- iv   Lizzie E., b. Aug. 17, 1879.

There were five others, b. in Ashfield, Conway, Shelburne Falls and Hoosick, N. Y.

15 Philip R., s. of Zophar(7), d. Oct. 20, 1901, ae. 71 yrs., 11 mos. Was a hotel keeper on the Buckland side of the river at Shelburne Falls; m. (1) Apr. 14, 1858, Sarah E., dau. of Elmer and Mary Frost; she d. Sept. 28, 1868; m. (2) Sept. 1870, Mrs. Carrie C. (Wardsworth), widow of Ariel Woodward. Children:

i Jeanette A., b. Dec. 18, 1874; m. Oct. 30, 1895, William M. Bailey. Res. Malden.

ii Leon P., res. Buckland in 1900.

16 Ariel, s. of Job(8), b. May 1, 1831; d. July 16, 1869; m. Caroline C. Wardsworth. She m. (2) Sept. 1870, Philip R. Woodward. Children:

i Son, d. Dec. 4, 1858, ae. 15 mos.

ii William H., b. 1860; d. June 10, 1865.

iii Son, b. Apr. 15, 1867.

17 Orion L., s. of Spencer(11), b. Sept. 15, 1857; was living in Los Angeles, Cal. in 1911; res. Shelburne Falls; m. Aug. 5, 1880, in Northampton, Mary Eliza, dau. of Sidney and Eliza (Warner) Strong. She was b. Jan. 22, 1859. Children, b. Northampton:

i Orion L., Jr., b. Jan. 23, 1882; d. Feb. 13, 1896, in Northampton.

ii Robert Strong, b. May 11, 1885; a well known artist; resides Buckland, unm.

1 WOODWARD, Daniel (Caleb<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 20, 1758, in Taunton; d. in 1828; is buried in family plot in E. Buck.; grave marked by an unlettered field stone; m. Mercy, dau. of Abiel Eddy in Norton (int. Feb. 1786), and soon after sett. in Buckland. In Norton Vi. St. he is called "Daniel 2nd. of Taunton." Children:

i Mercy, b. Feb. 26, 1787 in Taunton; d. in Buck. Mar. 22, 1877, unm.

ii Rachel, b. Aug. 22, 1789 in Taunton; m. Henry Chapin; d. Apr. 1, 1876.

iii Daniel, b. Oct. 2, 1791; prob. d. young.

iv Rhoda, b. Jan. 27, 1794.

2 v Joel, b. Sept. 13, 1796.



- 3 vi Daniel, b. June 15, 1799, at Taunton.
- 4 vii Alfred, b. May 2, 1805.
- viii Cephias, b. after 1795; m. Rosanna, dau. of Michael Ware; sett. Readsboro, Vt.
  
- 2 Joel, s. of Daniel(1), b. Sept. 13, 1796; d. Aug. 6, 1863; m. Philena Hawks. She was b. Canaan, N. Y.; d. Jan. 1 or 6, 1866, ae. 58 yrs. On May 12, 1832, Joel Woodward moved onto a farm in Buckland about one half mile south of Shelburne Falls. He had a notable record as a maker of maple sugar at most unusual seasons. Served as assessor. Children, order unknown:
  - i Child, d. Mar. 1832. (Ch. rec.)
  - ii Emily, d. Jan. 28, 1873, ae. 30 yrs.
  - iii Joel E., m. Stella Morton.
  - iv Mary Ann, m. Lorenzo Stockwell of Rowe, Feb. 19, 1863. Res. Shelburne Falls.
  - v Helen Jane, m. Willis Brown, lived Shelburne Falls.
  - vi Sophia P., m. Apr. 20, 1861, Charles Snow. She was a writer of ability and a frequent contributor to the local papers.
  - vii Augusta, m. Leonard Wells; lived Shelburne Falls.
  - viii Marcus M., b. 1841; m. Ella, dau. of Emmons Pratt; lived Northampton.
  - ix Eliza M., b. Sept. 8, 1848; m. Samuel Clark; res. Shelburne Falls.
  - x Mercy E.
  
- 3 Daniel, s. of Daniel(1), b. June 15, 1799, at Taunton; d. Aug. 17, 1874; m. Delania, dau. of John and Mary Bennett of Dummerston, Vt. She was b. July 5, 1808; d. Aug. 17, 1874. Children:
  - i Rhoda Philena, b. Feb. 28, 1826; d. Dec. 18, 1826.
  - ii Franklin A., b. May 10, 1827; d. Aug. 9, 1830.
  - iii Marion Armenia, b. July 20, 1829; m. Nov. 12, 1864, Thomas McIntyre of Buck.; d. Feb. 29, 1912.
- 5 iv Chandler Jackson, b. Apr. 3, 1831.
- v Daniel Lincoln, b. Oct. 14, 1833; killed in the Civil War.
- vi Fanny Thayer, b. July 27, 1835; m. (1) at Charlemont, Sept. 9, 1852, Anson William Lee; m. (2) Dec. 27 1865, Wilbury Dix of Whitingham, Vt.; (3) about 1896, George W. Adams of Charlemont.

- vii Almerin Hastings, b. Apr. 27, 1836; a Civil War veteran; m.; one son.
  - viii Abner Russell, b. May 8, 1838; d. July 8, 1838.
  - ix Electa Delania, b. Dec. 14, 1839; m. James Reniff of Buck.; d. 1924.
  - x Rosalia Melvina, b. Feb. 22, 1846; m. Jan. 27, 1875, Charles Douglas Hotchkiss of Shelburne Falls; d. 1929.
- 4 Alfred, s. of Daniel(1), b. May 2, 1805; d. Oct. 13, 1886. Was a farmer, also skilled in managing coal pits. "For getting out flax there were none who excelled him." He m. Oct. 20, 1829, Nancy C., dau. of Michael Ware. She was b. in 1806; d. Oct. 25, 1878. Children:
- i William T., b. Mar. 16, 1830; d. Apr. 10, 1867.
  - ii Nancy Maria, b. Dec. 1, 1832; m. about Mar. 1850, at Halifax, Vt., Lucius Reniff. She d. Mar. 27, 1904.
- 6 iii Hiram, b. Mar. 18, 1834.
- iv Olive A., b. May 2, 1837; d. May 25, 1849.
  - v John H., b. 1839; res. New York City.
  - vi Elizabeth, b. 1842; d. June 5, 1849.
  - vii Lucy, b. 1845; d. May 22, 1849.
  - viii Alfred F., perhaps that Frank A., whose wife Martha E. Austin (m. Nov. 30, 1868), d. Dec. 17, 1868, ae. 17 yrs. 9 m. She is buried on the family lot of Alfred, in E. Buckland.
- 5<sup>F</sup> Chandler Jackson, s. of Daniel(3), b. Apr. 3, 1831. Served as Captain in 10th regiment Mass. Vol. in the Civil War; m. Nellie ——. Children:
- i Nellie G., m. ——— Pratt.
  - ii Alice G., m. Walter A. Lee of Sheridan, Mich.
- 6 Hiram, s. of Alfred(4), b. Mar. 18, 1834; d. Feb. 2, 1916, a veteran of the Civil War; m. Apr. 2, 1859, Mary A., dau. of Elisha Holden of Colrain. She d. Apr. 29 or 30, 1907, ae. 65 yrs. Children:
- 7 i Herbert G.
  - 8 ii Frederick A.
  - iii Ernest H., res. Orange.

- iv Wilfred Elihu.
- v Malvina ?
- vi Frank ?, res. Buckland in 1900.

7 Herbert G., s. of Hiram(6), d. Nov. 21, 1932; m. Mar. 20, 1886, Mary, dau. of Jude C. and Tirzah King; resd., Shelburne Falls. Children:

- i Hazel A., d. Apr. 3, 1909, ae. 19 yrs.
- ii Doris A., b. Aug. 15, 1898; m. Joseph Conway; res. Greenfield.

8 Frederick A., s. of Hiram(6), m. Dec. 24, 1884, Gertrude B., dau. of Richard and Adaline Richmond. Resides State St. Children:

- i Grace Adeline, b. Mar. 21, 1887.
- ii Ruby May, b. Oct. 17, 1889.
- iii Cecil R., m. Dec. 27, 1916, Mary H., dau. of Lewis and Hallie —.
- iv Pearl, b. Apr. 23, 1904.

WOODWARD, Anna, was pub. with John Jennings, of Buckland, Oct. 12, 1805.

WOODWARD, Helen A., dau. of Richard Kirtland and Almira, b. in Meriden, Conn.; d. in Buck., May 12, 1923, ae. 83 yrs. Her only heir was Mariett K. King of Buckland.

WOODWARD, Nellie M., d. Aug. 27, 1871, ae. 13 yrs.

WOODWARD, Rebecca, dau. of Nathaniel Woodward, and wife or widow of — Frazier, d. in Buck., Dec. 13, 1920, ae. 73 yrs., b. in Buck.

WORDEN, Windsor D., a teamster, b. in Maine; m. Lucia E., dau. of Lucius and Nancy M. (Woodward) Reniff of Buckland. She d. Jan. 1, 1905, ae. 47 yrs. Had:

- i Ann Maria, b. Sept. 18, 1876.

WRIGHT, Apollos, was received into the second Baptist church in 1831, by letter, dismissed in 1839. Had:

- i Infant, d. Nov. 1835. (Ch. Rec.)

WRIGHT, Elizabeth, bapt. at second Baptist church in 1837, may have been wife of Apollos.



WRIGHT, Ellen M., m. July 23, 1851, Calvin C. Perkins.

WRIGHT, Eunice, was resident here in 1790 with one male under sixteen, and one female in her family.

WRIGHT, Harry, m. Dec. 5, 1854, Eltheda McKnight.

WRIGHT, Widow Patty, d. July 25, 1844, ae. 41 yrs.

WRIGHT, James H., a file cutter, b. in England; m. Lizzie Wylie (Wiley), b. in Scotland. Children, b. in Buck.:

i Mary Agnes, b. Apr. 27, 1880.

ii Robert Alexander, b. Nov. 12, 1881.

iii Alice E., drowned Nov. 12, 1888, ae. "not quite two yrs."

WYMAN, Samuel, m. Dolly R. —. She d. in Buck., Dec. 20, 1805, ae. 42 yrs.

WYMAN, Seth and wife Mary. Children:

i Sally, b. June 9, 1784, at Buck.

ii Ross, b. July 7, 1785.

iii Seth, b. July 23, 1787.

The births of these children are recorded at Shrewsbury. All were bapt. at Buck., Jan. 18, 1790.

YOUNG, W. T., was a member of the school committee here in 1873.

ZEINER, John Caspar, s. of John, b. in Mergsteten, Wortemburg, Germany, May 9, 1833. Came to America when twenty one, living at first at Greenfield, and coming to Buck. abt. 1867. He d. June 24, 1919; m. Christeina, dau. of John Felton of Germany; she was b. Oct. or Nov. 1833; d. Jan. 12, 1920. Children:

i Amelia, d. in Greenfield in infancy.

ii Christeina, b. Nov. 17, 1858, in Greenfield; m. Nov. 25, 1885, Thomas Turton; res. Ashfield St.

iii George F., b. 1861, in Greenfield; m.

iv Charles H., b. in Greenfield; m. Catherine, dau. of Charles Herring; d. in Greenfield.

v Albert C., b. July 28, 1867 in Buck.; d. Burlington, Vt., being electrocuted while endeavoring to rescue the body of a lad on electric wires. For this service his widow received the Carnegie medal.

- vi Ella M., b. in Buck., abt. 1869; m. Oct. 2, 1895, Charles Vetterling; res. Northampton.
- vii Edward Francis, b. in Buck., Aug. 27, 1871; m. Nov. 30, 1918, Annie May, dau. of George H. and Nellie M. (Jones) Wilkins; res. Greenfield.
- viii Rosa Matilda, b. Feb. 4, 1874, in Buck.; m. Sept. 11, 1900, Charles R. Turner; res. West Haven, Conn.

ZOHN, John, d. in 1865; m. Clara, dau. of Andrew and Catherine Deering, b. in Germany. She m. (2) John C. Stroheker, perhaps a second wife, and d. Nov. 12, 1887. Children:

- i Clara Elizabeth, b. Mar. 9, 1861; m. Feb. —, 18—, Jacob Thieringer, res. State St.

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The town of Buckland is the birthplace of Mary Lyon, founder of Mount Holyoke College, and a pioneer in the cause of higher education for women. Here in Buckland she spent her childhood, received her own education, and began her teaching career. In view of the fame which has gathered around her name in the past century, and especially because of the fact that this year Mount Holyoke College is celebrating its centennial, a history of Mary Lyon's birthplace is unusually interesting and important.

Miss Lyon was one of the remarkable women of America. Reared in a period of New England when the revival of learning gripped the common people, she was insatiable for knowledge, studying and working twenty hours a day. The chapters about her in this volume picture vividly her strong personality, give intimate glimpses into her early life, tell of her education and her work in Buckland. There are given here sections of her letters, and extracts from the conversations of her pupils. The temper of her mind is delineated by such quotations as this: "One of the nicest of mental operations is to distinguish between the very difficult and what is utterly impossible."

Altogether, this *History of Buckland*, besides recording valuable antiquarian lore, represents an unique contribution to an understanding of this eminent woman who did so much for American education.

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